

號二十四百七千九第 日四初月三年五十紹光 HONGKONG, WIDNESDAY, APRIL 3nd, 1889. No. 9742 三拜禮 號三月四英港香 PRICE \$25 PER' MONTH INTIMATIONS. BANKS. AUCTIONS. SHIPPING. "TIMATIONS INTIMATIONS. NEW NEW ORIENTAL BANK SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION EXAMPLES OF THE COST PREMIER CHAMPAGNE ARRIVATS. CORPORATION, LIMITED. THEATRE ROY-AL. OF ASSURANCE TO A MAN AGED 10 IS THAT OF April I. MOYUNE, British steamer, 1.714. J TYERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD AUTHORISED CAPITAL ......£2,000,000. DISPENSING CHEMISTS. NEXT BIRTHDAY. S. Hogg, Saigon 28th March, Rice .-BINET FILS ET CIE. PROPERTIES. CITY HALL, HONGKONG. Situate on Inland Lot No. 1201. Clate M. I WHOLESALE & RETAIL DRUGGISTS; ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. CONSIGNED BY A STG: payable at cleath, would (4A) und known as Nos. 31, 37, 39, 41, April 2, YANGTER, French stenmer, 2,371, M QUEEN'S ROAD. Under the distinguished patronage of Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, CUPLER, PALMER & Co. cost at the rate of .-43, & 45, Bonham Strand, and Nos. 1 & 2, H.E. Sir G. WILLIAM DES VIEUX, K.C.M.G LONDON. Flaudin, Shanghai 30th March, Molis and £ 6 18 0 per quarter (a) If premiums aré to their friends Cross Street, Victoria, Hongkong. DAKIN BROTHERS' AND General.-Messageries Maritimes. TESSES. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. only. payable for whole of life: BRANCHES IN INDIA. CHINA. JAPAN LADY DES VŒUX CHOLERA ELIXIR TO BE SOLD IN 7 LOTS (b) If premiuns are limited AND THE COLONIES. April 2, Kursano, British steamer., 1, 5, W. N.B .- All Connoisseurs of Champagne should For Administration in TO-MORROW (THURSDAY) EVENIN Young, Wuhu 28th March, Ger val .-WEDNESDAY. THE BANK receives money on Deposit, CHOLERA, DYSENTRY COLIC. &c sample this grand wine. THE 4TH APRIL, 1889. (c) If primiums are limited Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. the 10th of April, 1889, at 3 P.M., on Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, THE FINEST BUTTER IN THE This well tried remedy has been in extensive April 2, Anton, German steamer, 396, F. Aere-(d) If he Su. Assured is the Premises. WORLD! In the great competition open and Transacts Banking and Agency Business use in India, Burmah, and some parts of China boe, Pakhoi 29th March, and Hoihow lat generally on terms to be had on application. to all nations, Paris Exhibition, 10th October, Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. at death if previous.\* for many years, and has proved beyond doubt 1878, the highest award, the Gold Medal for April, General .- WIELER & Co. . GARDEN, HER MAJESTY'S, CRYSTAL Interest allowed on Deposits:its efficacy in arresting the rapid progress of April 2. DEUTEROS. German steamer, 1,200, Preserved Butter in tins, was gained by PALACE, &C., DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES. FIER being three years in force, each Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum. Cholera symptoms, and ir combating this fatal Assisted by her Lot (1):-The Ground and Tenement being CLANCHY'S CELEBRATED RED STAR ISISH Iwersen, Bangkok 24th March, Rice, ED. A. year's payment of premium secures a Fixed for 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annuin. ENGLISH OPERA COMPANY. BUTTER. Many other Gold and Silver Medals. No. 31, Bonham Strand, containing an area proportionate part of Sum Assured as explained Fixed for. 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum. malady when developed. SCHELLHASS & Co. Retains delicious natural flavour in all climates. of 838 square feet in Prospectus. For instance: after five years a April 2. Fu-tew. Chinese steamer, 936, Gra-On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per Cent. per Containing no str g agents, it may be Guaranteed genuine, and full weight. Exports Lot (2).—The Ground and Tenement being No Assured nader plan b would be entitled GRAND MILITARY COMMAND ham, ShangKai 29th March, General.-C. Annum on the daily balance. safely administered . 32.000.000lbs. T. J. CLANCHY & Co., Cork. most inexperienced. 87. Bonham Strand, containing an area of to a Free Paidsup Policy for 5/20ths of Sum NIGHT M. S. N. Co. Assured, viz., £250, should be wish to discontinue by following the direct that accompany each -573 square feet. APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL Lot (3).—The Ground, & Tenement being No. bottle. FOR SALE. April 2, CLARA, German steamer, 674, Chris. future payments: BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such Claims purchased on 39, Bonham Strand, containing an area of H.E. Major-General EDWARDS, R.E., tensen, Haiphong Sist March, Rico .-The same provisons if commenced at age Sold in 3 & 8 oz. Stoppored bottles, OHAS. HEIDSIECK'S 576 square feet. advantageous terms. Commander-iv-chief. 40 n. b. would cost respectively (a) £8.15.0. SIEMSSEN & Co. Agency of the NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE Lot (4).—The Ground and Tenement being No. at \$1.50 and \$3.00. CHAMPAGNE, 1880 WHITE SEAL (b) £11.5.0, (c) £13.2.4, (d) £27.08 per quarter. April 2, KUMAMOTO-MARU, Japanese steamer, 41, Bonham Strand, containing an area of 822..... per case of 1 dozen quarts. Second and last Performance 22, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Note.—It is an advantage to effect Provisions 628 square feet. \$23 per case of 2 dozen pints.
PAUL DUBOIS & Co.'s 1.240, R. Pender, Kutchinotza 29th March. of this nature early in life. By delay the rate Lot (5).—The Ground and Tenement being No. Manager, Hongkong Branch. Coals .- MITBUI BUSSAN KAISHA. Great Success of the Season TELEPHONE No. 60. 43. Bonlam Strand with the Godowns, &c., of subscription increases; Death may occur Hongkong, 12th March, 1887. CLARET, GRAND VIN LEOVILLE. THE DAUGHTER OF THE April 2, Augusta, German bark, 473. Jessen, before the Provision is effected, or Health may in rear, containing an area of 3,175 square Hongkong, 1st April, 1889 \$25..... per case of I dozen quarts REGIMENT." Gaponlato Celet 5th March. Wood.-Ep. fail and render the life ineligible for Assurance. TIT ONGKONG&SHANGHAIBANKING LARET, CHATEAU LAROSE. with the same strong Cast and Effects as Lot (6).-The Ground and Tenement being No. CORPORATION. SCHELLHASS & Co. THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED \$13..... per case of 1 dozen quarts. THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHIE DUA on SATURDAY. 45. Bonbam Strand, containing an area of 514..... per case of 2 dozen pints. April 2, Kwang-Lee, Chinese steamer, 1,508, SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY. PONTET CANET. STANDARD LIFE OFFICE. LIMITED. Lancaster, Whampon 2nd April, General. 849-47 SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH. Lot [7].—The Ground and Tenements being .. per case of 1 dozen quarts. Hongkong. Gounod's Masterwork Nos: 1 & 2. Cross Street, containing an C. M. S. N. Co. RESERVELIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7.500.000 PALMER MARGAUX. TOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-"FAUST." ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING \$7.50 ..... per case of 1 dozen quarts. April 2, Kwongsang, British steamer, 988, T. area of 1.021 square feet. in 4 Acts. THE COURT OF DIRECTORS :-The above Lots are held for the residue of a \$8.50 ..... per case of 2 dozen pints. with full Band and Chorus, assisted by Messrs. -of the Punjom and Sunghte Dua Saman. Sollar, Whampon 2nd April, General.-W. H. FORBES, Esq.—Chairman. LORMONT. term of 999 years. TAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held GRACE, CROW, and GENTLEMEN of the JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. H. L. DALBYMPLE, Esq.—Deputy Chairman. Hon. John Bell-Irving. | S. C. Michaelsen, Esq. For Particulars and Conditions of Sale, 35 ...... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
JOHNWALKER & SONS' at the Registered Office of the Company, No. Choral Society. Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, TO-GLEARANCES W. G. Brodie, Esq. J. S. Moses, Esq. CO-OPERATIVE WOTTON & DEACON, OLD HIGHLAND WHISKEY. MORROW (THURSDAY), the 4th day of T. E. Davies, Esq. AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. L. Poesnecker, Esq. \$8 ..... per gase of 1 dozen bottles. Solicitors for the Vendors: April. at 4.30 o'clock in THE AFTERNOON J. F. Holliday, Eso. N. A. Siebs, Esq. COMPANY, LIMITED. E. A. Solomon, Esq. Hon. B. Layton. 2ND APRIL. when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Night of the Beason. CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s J. M. ARMSTRONG. Nestor, British str., for Singapore. Should the Resolution be passed by the re-CHIEF MANAGER. WINES AND SPIRITS. Hongkong-G. E. Nonth. Esq. the Auctioneer. quired majority it will be submitted for con-Thales, British str., for Swatow. other Prices as usual. SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 26th March, 1888. firmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Kwang-lee, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Hongkong, 1st January, 1884. TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION Shanghai-Ewen Cameron, Enq. Extraordinary Meeting which will be couse-Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 P.M. SPRING AND SUMMER SEASONS. LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY HANK. quently convened. HUGO GORLITZ. DEPARTURES. CUTLER, PALMER & Co. PENANG. April 2, PROVINCIA, British str., for Saigon. ESTABLISHED IN LONDON, 1815 HONGKONG-INTEREST ALLOWED. RESOLUTION. on the lat May, at 2 P.M., 1889. Hougkong, 1st April, 1889. Are represented in China by April 2, Croeso, British str., for Saigon. On Current Deposit Account at the rate of That the Capital of the Company be increased THE Holk to the sum of \$600,000 legally current in MRS. KORFF'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC. per cent. per Annum on the daily balance. April 2. Ningro, German str., for Shanghai. The LADIES' and CHILDREN'S OUT-STEMSSEN & Co..... On Fixed Deposits:-"NIEUWE WATERWEG." the Colony of Hongkong by the creation of April 2, SAPPHIRE, British corv., for Singapore. LANE. CRAWFORD & Co. & by For 3 months 3 per Cont. per Annum. Of Two thousand three hundred (2300) tons 20,000 New Shares of \$10 each. Subject RS. KORFF, of the Berlin Conserva-H. E., REYNELL & Co. in Japan. April 2 Byron, British str., for Hyogo, For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum. capteity, as she now lies at her moorings in the tory, has opened an ACADEMY OF MUSIC to any direction to the contrary that may FITTING DEPARTMENTS are now replete April 2, DIAMOND, British str., for Amoy. Subjoined are some of the items consigned be given by the Meeting sanctioning the For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum. these well-known Shippers. The above Vessel, besides containing a large April 2, NIZAM. British str., for Shanghai. LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. increase of Capital, all New Shares shall be amount of Copper Bolts, Nails, and offered to the Members registered on the OREDITS granted on approved Securities, and and BINGING. April 2, Phu Quoc, French str., for Canton. with a Large and Fashionable Stock of SPIRITS. Yellow Metal, would offer other special very description of Banking and Exchange day of the confirmation of the resolution in April 2, Fu-Yew, Chinese str., for Whampon, COGNAC-Their nopular " 4 Star" quality and advantages for breaking up, as she has Three business transacted proportion to existing Shares held by them, April 2, Kursang, British str., for Whampon. best -No better shipped. DRAFTS granted on London and the chic good Iron Masts, about One hundred Iron and such offer shall be made by notice KonFF taking charge of more advanced Pupils. DRESS GOODS MILLINERY, HOSIERY commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, COGNAC-Their well-known "2 Star" quality Beams 35' by 10" and a large quantity of heavy specifying the number of Shares to which PASSENGERS. America, China and Japan. Iron Knees, &c., &c. Her keelson and the member is entitled and limiting a time and arrangements made for Classes. SCOTCH WHISKY, sister keelson are made of very heavy iron within which the offer if not accepted will No. 3, WEST TERRACE. CORSETS, WALKING SHOES, EVEN-See Separato Advertisement. joists, and she will furnish, Parchasers with a Per Kutsang, str., from Wuhu.-19 Chinese. Chief Manager. he deemed to be declined, and after the HONGKONG. 9 vast amount of material of a valuable descrip-Per Mayune, str., from Saiger, -72 Chinese. Hongkong, 8th March, 1889. Hongkong, 3rd April, 1889. expiration of such time or on the receipt of Per Auton, str., from Pakhoi, &c.-Dr. Lowry, ING SHOES, GLOVES, SUNSHADES TRISH WHISKY. an intimation from the Member to whom NOTICE. PUBLIC AUCTION THE BEST-Only one quality consigned. and 56 Chinese. Un the same date the such notice is given that he declines to Per Fu-yew, str., from Shanghai -Mr. Helt accept the Shares offered, such Shares shall S. S. "PRYE" IDULES OF THE HONGKONG HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE Lieuts. C. Karto and Namau, and 60 Chinese. will be put up for sale to the highest Bidder. PORT-"INVALIDS." be dealt with by the Directors in their SAVINGS BANK. ZEPHYR RAIN COATS, UMBRELLAS Per Yangise, str., from Shanghai .- For Hong-Particulars of steamer as below. THE Undersigned has received instructions. Invalids in particular are recommended to select kong. - Mesers. Leach, J. Hatoda, Fonigsberger, The S. S. "PRYE" was built in 1887, is com-Dated the 22nd day of March, 1889. 1.-The business of the above Bank will to Sell by Public Auction, on and FANCY GOODS. this Wine. See special Advertisement. Hannan, Intah, Tong Tung Luan, J. Brownhil: posite build, iron frames and teak planking, all conducted by the Hongkong and Shangha By Order of the Board, SATURDAY. Hin Chee Ku ... on, Sur Sing Var, Laun wood for deck houses, &c., are toak; she is 85 feet A. O'D. GOURDIN, Banking Corporation, on their premises the 6th April. 1899, at 2 P.M., at his SHERRY. long, and 15 feet beam, and 9 feet depth of hold. 622 Chong. A. Cronon, and Kofod. For Suez .- Mr. Hongkong. Business hours on week-days. Scoretary. Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, For Connoissours the following Wines have A. Vahovitch. For Port Said .- Mr. and Mrs. The Boiler is Cochrane Multitubular, and The LATEST NOVELTIES from London. to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1. QUANTITY OF Engines Compound Condensing, by same maker. THE HONGKOY their own distinctive merits-Hatoeff. For Marseilles .- Mr. and Mrs. I 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 AND INVESTMENT HOUSEHOLD TURNITURE. Cylinders are 12 "by 24" by 18 " stroke. The Boiler is 13 feet high 6 "d" diameter. Vessel Simpson, 4 children and nurse, Mrs. Mansfield PANY, LIMITED. one time will not be received. No deposite AND AGENC: comprising :-The "INVALUES!" pale, delicate, fine flavor. 2 children and amsh. Mrs. Aitkin and infant, Paris, and Vienna by each incoming Mail. may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. Rev. Mareschal, Count Anbert, Messrs. V. Culm-Amonoso," a Stouter Wine, very popular, draws seven feet when laden, and carries 50 tobs | TOTICE is hereby given, that the STA 3.— Depositors in the Savings Bank having MANZANILLA." a clean dry appetising Wine. sec and P. Genin. From Yokohama - For Hongdead weight or 60 tons measurement, has a TUTORY GENERAL MEETING \$100 or more at their credit may at their optic SHERRY-WHITE SEAL," a special favorite cong.-Mr. G. Winckler. For Marseilles,transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shang icense for 60 deck passengers for traits of of the Company required to be held within four IRONS. &c. China, very delicate, and soft. Lieut. S. Kishima, General Baron Osawa, Col. Malaces, and has good necommodation for two months after registration will be, held at the Our DRESSMAKING and MILLINERY hai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit fo S. Oshima, Capt. Onychara, and Mr. Nakashima, first class passengers. She steams eight Company's P gistered Office in Victoria Build-BOARD. CROCKERY, GLASS 2 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest. From Kobe. For Marseilles. Mesers. Chas. ings. No. 7 Queen's Read Central, Victoria CLARET. DEPARTMENTS are under the Personal 4 .- Interest at the rate of 34 per cent. per PLATED WARE, CUPLERY, &c. The Vessel is now chartered by Messrs. Hongkone A SATURDAY, the 6th April Perfectly pure Bordeaux, not loaded to please Walsh and Dobbeling. annum will be allowed to Depositors on their Per Clara, str., from Haipkong.-Mr. Zandau, Supervision of experienced Europeans. HUTTENBACH LIEBERT & Co., and has been for vitiated palates laily balances. the last six months for the sum of \$800 per is further given that an EX and 26 Chauese. And Not MOUTON ......in quarts and plats. 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied grat TRAORL ARY GENERAL MEETING month. She has given charterers much satis-LAROSE .....in quarts and pints. with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with SETS. TOILET TABLES, &c., &c. THE HALL & HOLTZ C. CO. LD. Per Nizam, str., for Shanghai - From Hongeach payment or withdrawal. Depositors must faction. ST. ESTEPHE .... in quarts and pints. of the Company will be held at the same place, kong.-Messrs. F. B. Aubort, H. Borner, Stem-For further Particulars, apply to on the same day, at 12.15 o'clock p.m., when the MARGAUX-MEDOC in quarts and pints. 103 not make any critries themselves in their Pass-NEXT P.M. Hongkong, 25th March, 1889. pel, and Bottinger. From London.-Messrs, C following Special Resolutions will be proposed, L. CHRISTIANSEN. Books, but should send them to be written up TERMS OF SALE .- As customary Jameson, Butler, Kopsch, Krompton, and S. BREWER HAS JUST RECEIVED at least twing year, about the beginning of General Manager, LIQUEUR, G. R. LAMMERT, PAYE RIVER DOCK TO., I TD., Hughes, Misses Marshall, Wright, and Besley, 1.-That the Capital of the Company be January and beginning of July, BENEDICTINE from the Monastery, increased to the sum of \$5,000,000 by the issue and Dr. Christie's servant. From Brindisi -Penang. 6.-Correspondence as to the business of the \_Hongkong, 3rd April. 1: 89. The following Musical Instrument: - iolius, P. & Cc. are the Sole Consignors of this Messrs. C. Parker and J. Pilcher. From Coof 25,000 New Shares of \$100 each, on which Bank if marked On Hongrong Savings Bank Banjos, Flutes, Piccolos, Ac. . dinos. Conworld wide known Liqueur. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY. lombo.-Mrs. Cox, Miss Finley, and Mr. Big-SPECIALITIES. New Shares a First Call of \$50 per Share shall BUSINESS is forwarded free by the various For Prices apply to either of the above Firms certines. be paid as hereinafter provided, and the balance LIMITED. more. From Singapore -- Mrs. Betcher. British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. TN V A L I D'S of \$50 per Share shall be payable in such A Good Iron Frame Piano for \$200. 7.-Withdrawals may be made on demand, REPORTS. amounts, at such times, and on such conditions LOONG FOR TIENTSIN. A Good Iron Frame Piano for \$175. but the personal attendance of the Depositor or CUTLER PALMER'S. The British steamer Moyune, from . sigon as the Board may determine, and that the THE Company's Steamship Strings for Guitar, Banjo, Volin, Victorhis duly appointed Agent, and the production of Analysed and Certificated by PROFESSOR Board be authorised to issue such New Shares 28th March, reports had fine weather, approach-DRAPER, HOSIER, &c. his Pass Book are necessary. cello. Bass. ASSALL. Each bottle bears his Certificate at such a premium (not exceeding \$50 per cent.) ing the land thick fog. No. 11. Lyndhurst Terrace, 'SUNGKIANG." Lamp Shades in great verety. For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Receives by every Mail a Fresh Supply of Captain Classon, will be despatched as above Purity. The Wine is as designated. as it may think fit, such premium to be paid on Nickel Plated Safety Bicycle. ING CORPORATION. The German steamer Deuteros, from Bangkok Ladies Dress Materials, Laces, Embroideries, on or about MONDAY, the 15th inst. G. E. NOBLE. Apply to A Quantity of Framed Chromos. 24th March, reports had fine weather all the For Freight or Passage, apply to Flannels, &c., and in order to prevent accumu-2.—That of such New shares 12,500, or Large Rubber Balls for Children. Chief Manager. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., time, light wind from N.E. and N. last 2 days (as the case may be) a number comprising, lation is SELLING OFF at CLEARANCE BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. The popular Toy Dairy Domples, Doll's Hongkong, 1st January, 1889. SIEMSSEN & Co. or equivalent to. One New Share for RATES his Stock on hand. Hongkong, 3rd April, 1889. House, Dairy Demple's Dolls. TUITION IN FRENCH. every complete number of two existing shares. E FONG. PHOTOGRAPHER The Chinese steamer Fu-yew, from Shanghai Walking Sticks. T EUCHS' TRADE LISTS OF ALL ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN A Has just added to his COLLECTION be offered to the person on the 2nd day of Medical Year Book Treatment. 29th March, reports had occasional for and strong TATELLE. MAILLARD begs to infimale ristered shareholders of VIEWS some NEW SCENES and Photos. LIQUIDATION. COUNTRIES in 36 VOLUMES. May, 1889, shall be Modern Ships of War. northerly winds. Anchored at Ninepins on that she will give Lassons in French, he proportion of one of NATIVE TYPES, copies of which are obtainable of the existing shares Girl's Own Indoor Book. Monday night. NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Grammatically, Conversational or Literary. NOW READY .ete number of two in his Studio or at Messrs. KELLY & WALSE'S. new share for every Boys' Indoor Games and Recreation. The British steamer Kutsang, from Wuhn Terms on Application at 3, West Terrace. The New Editions of ENGLAND, COUNexisting shares, and such offer shall be made by IVORY MINIATURES of Superior Quality and PAYMENT OF 6TH DIVIDEND. Cyclonedia of Education. TIES, Vol. 17. SCOTLAND, IRELAND. Hongkong, 1st April, 1889. a notice specifying the number of new shares of Excelent and High Finish. PERMANENT 28th March, reports had moderate N.E. breeze Frizetta for Carling the Hair. 6TH DIVIDEND of 61 per Cent on all which each such registered Shareholder shall be ENLATORMEN'S of PROTOS. and VIEWS and and hazy weather to the Lammocks; thence to NALES, and European Possessions, Vol. 27a. Cigarette Cases, Cigar Cases. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. AMERICA, North, South, Central and A Claims against the Hongkong Branch of entitled to take up, and limiting a time within reproductions of the same on Paper, Canvas, or port dense fog. Anchored for three bours off Sweet Caporal Cigarettes. West Indies, Vol. 30. THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATY ., which which the offer, if not accepted in writing, will Opal the Ninepins. Straight Cut Cigarettes. TATERBURY WATCHES be deemed to be not accepted. The First Call of IN THE PRESS have been approved by the Court of Chancery WALTER W. BREWER INSTANTANEOUS VIEWS. GROUPS and POR-The Japanese steamer Kumamoto-maru, from will be paid at the Offices of the NEW ORIENTAL COLONIAL DIRECTORY of Africa, Asia 850 on every such accepted share shall be paid TRAITS are taken in any state of the weather, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL THE HANTIEST, CHNAPEST, & BEST TIME-Kutchinotzu 29th March, reports experienced and Australasia, containing the Colonies of all BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, on and after ut the time of acceptance, and all such non- and all Permanent Processes, are executed on moderate N.E. wind and fine weather to Turn-& WALSH, LIMIT KEEPERS INVENTED. Nations, and the Independent Empires and accepted shares, and also the remainder (if any) MONDAY, THE 18TH MARCH NEXT. about; from there to port, fresh breeze with Creditors are requested to apply to the Bank | \$3 Price THREE DOLLARS EACH \$3 of the said 12,500 New Shares, shall be disposed States, Vol. 29. STUDIO-ICE HOUSE LANE. Capt. Hayes' Illustrated Horse Breaking. for their Dividends and to produce the letter RUSSIA and POLAND, Vol. 24. ITALY, fog and rain, of in such a mann r. at such times, and on such REPAIRS NEVER EXCRED 50 CENTS FOR C C O T C H W H I S K Y. Vol. 26, and other volumes .. Every Man's Own Lawyer-New Edition they hold from the Official Liquidator admitting conditions as the Board may determine. EACH WATCH. brought down to 1889. their Claims in order that the payment of the 8.—That the remaining 12,500 new shares NOTICE. Orders from Outports to be accompanied with Oppen's Stamp Album. be offered to the Public in such a manner, Really the best is CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s C. LEUCHS & Co., 6th Dividend may be endorsed thereon. Sir Morel Mackenzie's Frederick the Noble. remittance for cost. HEREBY warn Bayers of Preserves. Soy. Because it is old and mature and rich. 17. BARRETT'S GROVE, LONDON, N at such times, and on such conditions as the THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA &c., that of late several fraudulent imita-Carlyle's Complete Works; 18 vols. for \$18. PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND IN Because it is quite free from fusel oil. Hoard may determine, but so that the First ESTABLISHED 1794. (Sole Agents in Japan & China tions of my Brand CitY LOON if have been Because Physicians approve it as A 1. Rein's The Industries of Japan. ADVANCE UNDER DISCOUNT. call of \$50 per Share on these remaining 12,500 for the Sale of the above Watches) offered for Sale, and that no goods will be The A 1 Telegraph Code. It is shipped in Round, Square, and Heart shares shall be paid on Application. (WRITE FOR PRICE LING.) 10, Queen's Road Central, The Official Liquidator, by arrangement with genuine CHY LOONG PRESERVES puless the Manual da Missa, in a variety of very choice Shaped Bottles. 4.—That all premis on the said New Shares the ASSETS REALISATION Co. is prepared to Opposite Marine House following label is found in the boxes :bindings, Russis, Calf. Ivory, Tortoishell, &c. GOOD AGENTS WANTED. |1712 Our Agents have Stocks of either be carried to the Reserve Fund mentioned pay in advance to Creditors willing to receive Hougkong, 30th August, 1888. McCuiloch's Commercial Dictionary. Please apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., "CHY LOUNG in Article-No. 98 of the Company's Articles of such payment IN FULL DISCHARGE OF THEIR EST SCOTCH WHISKY, IN ROUND Volumes of Sermons by Canon Farrar, Dr. or to STEMBSEN & Co., " DEALER IN BORNEO TIMBER. CLAIMS the Dividend of 5 per cent payable in Association. Lidden and the Bishop of Peterborough. 'SWEETMEA'S; SOY AND ALL KINDS BOTTLES. or to LANE. CRAWFORD & Co. ALEXANDER LEVY. Masonic Regalia-Master Masons, The Mark | the year 1890, UNDER A DISCOUNT OF FIVE-"OF CANTON PRESERVES THE BRITISH BORNEO TRADING Hongkong, 21st January, 1889. Secretary (pro. tem.) CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHIPPING TWELFTHS PER CENT. and Royal Arch. "No. 34. OLD CHINA STREET. Hongkong, 27th March, 1889. AND, PLANTING COMPANY, Creditors who are willing to accept payment Entirely free from Fusel Oil. Mark and Royal Arch Jewels. NOTICES OF FIRMS. of the Final Dividend less discount as above are "An attempt has been made by a person in Masonic Rituals of every description. Are prepared to supply NEW & VALUABLE CRUICKSHANK & Co., LIMTTED. Flags of all Nations and 360 House Flags and requested to communicate with the undersigned TIMBERS for Ship and House Building, Hongkong to palm off upon persons purchasing · NOTICE. JARDINE MATHESON & Co., BEFORE THE END OF THE CURRENT MONTH. rectments for Export an inferior article upon Furniture: Wharves, &c., in round or square NOTICE. or to SIEMSSEN & Co. E. W. RUTTER. E Have This Day admitted Mr. BEUwhich he places my name is order to deceive Whatman's Drawing Paper. Logs. Beams, or Sawn to any specification. Agent for the Official Liquidator BENGUBBAY & PARTNER in our TIONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. Small samples can be seen at the Office, where THE FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL those who may purchase; thereby injuring my Boxes of Mathematical Instruments. Oriental Bank Corporation "Song Folio"-the best and cheapest Collec-MEETING of the above Company, will Firm. SPOON COMPETITION. former reputation. 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Hongkonig, 1st April, 1889.

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Hongkong, 12th March, 1889. On the 20th March, at Mount Gowth Hill, the wife

of H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq., of a daughter. FLETCHE t, the dearly loved wife of H. W. Davis, of under a misapprehension. Daronth Cower, Westerham, Kent, and late of Hongkong. Priends will please accept this intimation.

Hondrond, April 3nd, 1889.

THE at empt-to establish steam navigation on the Upper Yangtsze has come to much the same end that the Woosung railway did. The steamer Kuling, which was specially built for the trade by the Upper Yangtaze treaty was forwarded to England at the begin-Steam Navigation Company, Limited, after waiting many months for the permit to ascend the river, has at last been purchased by the Chinese authorities, the sellers giving an undertaking to make no farther attempt to their being on the ber. The Kungpai's damto reach Chungking by steamer. Such is the age is not extensive. The steamer Poochi has report given in a Shanghai paper, and it bears every appearance, of being based on reliable information, though we note that the subject is not alluded to by either of the lied Sea of the British steamer Clyde, which other papers. The price paid, Tls. 120,000. which covers the steamer and the business cases of cigars. There were no passengers from months and then cease, the Viceyoy new having premises at Ichang, will leave a fair margin Manila. She was despatched by Messrs. Ker the intention of buying from abroad machinery of profit for the Company, whose capital is and Co. £13,000. The profit, however, would hardly have tempted them to abandon their plucky enterprise had they seen any fair prospect of the director of the China Merchants' Combeing allowed to proceed with it within pany, and Mr. Lo, secretary to the Viceroy of A letter from Newchwang in the Shen-par reasonable time: They have been kept waiting month after month, and as the resources be sent to replace Mr. Yuan. of Chinese prograstination seem still naexhausted, they have presumably come to the Mixed Court at Shanghai with having set fire. Fund, and during three or four months over conclusion that they could not afford to keep to his premises for the purpose of obtaining the Tls. 10,000 was collected by this means. It was their capital theremuneratively locked up any intend making any claim under his policy, which | money began to come in freely, and this was longor. The Chivese have employed their he said he had lost, Mr. Drummond, who appear- accordingly done during February. It will be customary tactics with great success in this matter. First there was great delay in connection with the negotiations at Peking, and when at last it was agreed that the clause in the Chefoo Convention relating to steam communication on the Upper Yangtsze should be acted on; another device to secure delay was discovered in the alleged Peking. We have not heard, however, of steam- other places 600 picula of barley, including about Mr. Caldwell appeared on bahalf of the but wholly fictitious necessity of drawing up rules for the avoidance of collisions with junks. The rules in force on the Lower Yangtaze were all that was required; but wha the local authorities, were concerned to secure was not the avoidance of collisions but the emashing of the scheme altogether. The drawing up of the rules bid fair therefore sistance and a number of constables were attractto be as long a business as the original negotiations at Peking. When the pastience of the parties interested was almost exhausted an advantageous offer to purchase the stermer was made, and the representatives of the Company, looking at the matter from a business point of view, have thought well to close with it. In their own interests to be done in all secrees and in a mysterious way. they have no doubt acted wisely, but from a public point of view the result cannot fail bouring villages. The police effected their cap- she was between Isla Verde and Marionhan. At to be regarded with great regret. The action | turo, together with the bag containing the bones taken by China shows how inimical the authorities are to the farther opening up of the country to foreign enterprise. The abandonment of the undertaking will naturally excite a tention in commercial circles in Enuland, and may not improbably be made the subject of questions in Parliament. A very general impression prevails that British interests have not been represented so strongly at Peking as they ought to have been, The publication of the dispatches on the Kuling question might tend to remove this impression, and would be useful as showing the ten lency of Chinese policy with regard

has good cause to complain of the condition It'ly, under the influence of the jinricksha have to put up with the splashing mud from these vehicles in addition to the accumulaion on their boots and nether carments. There are no crossings in Queen's Road, and the evil is thus intensified, as it is therefore was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for impossible to avoid the filth. The roads as now constructed answered their pur- day, the Magistrate discovered that he had overpose at mirably before the advent of the jin- looked the fact that the offence was committed rickshs, as will be seen now on the upper levels. where hese little carriages are seldem used, was, therefore, brought back into Court, and but they speedily cut up Queen's Road in this having been explained, the case was rewet weather, leaving it, when the rains cease. full of great holes, which are exceedingly trying to those persons who are compelled | the birthday of the wife of the Viceroy, and as to rid . Some other means of making the rouds on the lower level should now be to the Viceregal Yamen and offered their contried. The traffic has grown to such an extent th the evil becomes more marked every year. The suggestion thrown out by our charity to poor women and girls, some of whom cable ne. Wood pavements, as we know granit, asphalte, or macadam, being less and much cleaner and less noisy than the bounties of this gracious lady cannot be estimated, tons, and 724 indicated horse-power, with a speed foreigners present in Paris.

o foreign commerce.

latter. But wood pavements have to be laid mer, while it is doubtful whether the wood a success. This, however, the Survey De- actor 5 in the centre with "Dai Nippon" above gans, one in the bow and one in the stern; two be condomned on the first count. Concrete and it is surmounted with five son in Japanese The Olga was a corvette (iron and wood would be too hard, and asphalte, it is to lue in our characters. be feared, would become too slippory even it were not too expensive. The latter would wear well enough here, where there is no heavy wheeled traffic; and it would render the work of the coolies lighter if the roadway were not allowed to become greaty with mud. The question is one that should, cloven wounds. The daughter was wounded in built in 1875. Her tonnage was 3,900, and prisonment with hard labour. however, be taken up without delay, for the condition of the great business artery of the city is, in wet weather, anything but creditable, and is at the same time most uncomfortable to passengers and pedestrians.

The Rev. Father Nozaleds, of the Dominican Order, has been appointed Archbishop of Munila. | the accession of His Majesty to the Throne, and The O. & O steamer Belgic left San Franciso the 20th March for Yokohama and Hongkong.

H.M.S. Alacrity, with Admiral and Lady Salmon, returned to Shanghai from the River | awaiting trial, shall receive a commutation of

Ports on the 26th March. The Japanese steamer One Maru arrived at Honolulu on the 2nd ult. with nearly one thouand emigrants from Japan.

d'Affaires, on his departure from Japan.

The Comercio corrects the statement that no-[673 tice of another embarge for \$800,000 had been served on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at On the 19th February, aged 51 years, CHARLOTTE Mavila. The statement was, it seems, made

Anxiety is folt at Hanoi concerning the safety of M. Rolland, a merchant, who left Tuyenkwan on the 12th March in a junk, for Vietri. Nothing has since been heard of him. He had with him four or five hundred dollars.

From telegraphic advices received in Tokyo, Representative of the United States in Japan, intends to leave San Francisco on the 20th o April. His arrival in Tokyo may therefore b looked for about May 13th.

Mr. Fraser, H. B. M. Minister to Japan, left pan may therefore be looked for about the end meeting the president (Rov. Dr. Chalmors) will ballad line which more thoroughly carght the prisoner struck him on the hand and tried to total. Some of this gain is, however, more of April. The Nippon states that a revised ning of this year and that the new Minister is to bring the British proposals in response.

The Daily News says that the steamers Kungpai and Wuchang were in collision at Taku, both vessels being at the time unmanageable owing arrived at Shanghai with a broken shuft, and has gone into Boyd's new dock to replace it.

Telegraphic news has been received at Manila we learn from the Comercio, of the less in the sailed from that part on the 14th February new silver coinage being acceptable to the Chiwith a cargo of 16,88% piculs of hemp and 200 meso. The copper mint will work for three

The N. C. Daily News says:-Mr. Yuan, the patriotic Vicercy hopes by this means to obtain the Chinese Resident at Seoul, is, we hear, to be for China a share of profit which has too long recalled, and to be succeeded by Mr. Ma. brother been monopolised by foreigners. Thibli. The situation must be considered serious says: - General Tao Pan-kwei last winter subin Korea if two such important officials are to mitted to the Civil Governor of Shingking (the fell was loud and prolonged.

iusurance money, having stated that he did not found feasible to abandon this expedient when ed for the prosecution, said the Insurance Com- remembered that thirteen districts of the Chow pany wished to withdraw from the case, and he or Hien denominations were inundated; and held at the Magistency yesterday morning to would leave it in the hands of the Police.

ing occurred on the Tientsin-Taku railway with Taotais, Shih and Kao, accordingly obtained Road Central. There were present Mr. H. E. loss of life. Of course, such accidents are almost from the two High Authorities of the province. Pollock (Chairman), Major-General Gordon, inevitable, but there is some fear that it will be the Military and Civil Governors, a grant of Captain Superintendent of Police and Mr. ship accidents being made use of to discourage Chinese from their use.

. On the 22nd alt., says the Macao Correio, one went to this house, which is of questionable character, and one of them accosting the mistress which they escaped. Cries were raised for aswounded woman to the Chinese hospital. The people during the spring, should arrive. rufluns were arrested on the following day.

The Correio Macacase says that the other day six Chinose exhaused the corpse of a relative, which had been buried beyond the barrier over ten years, for the purpose of reinterring it in Macad city, and not having obtained permission from the competent authorities the removal had which caused an information to be laid that they were pirates carrying valuable booty from neighof the exhumed body, and the six men were duly consigned to the care of the Procarador.

At a meeting of Victoria Chapter of Royal Arch Masons held on Monday evening the following officers were installed and invested for the ensuing year :- M. E. Z. M. H. Companion D. Gillies; H., Ex Com. F. A. Hazeland; J. Ex Comp. A. D. Death; Scribe E., Comp. J Dyer Ball; Scribe N., Comp. H. Rawlinson; Treasurer, Comp. A. R. Madar; P. S., Comp. R. Cooke; First Assist. S., Comp. A. G. Aitken Second Assist, S., Comp. J. R. Grimble; Janitor, Comp. J. Maxwell. Ex. Companions W. M. B. Arthur, A. O'D. Gourdin, and P. Bazonjee constituted the Board of Installed Principals.

It is recorded in the Peking Gazette the Prince Id reports that he is taking steps. compliance with Imperial instructions to organize in sight, and in reply to the signal of the Visaa Fire Brigade for service in the Palace. It seems that such an institution formerly existed. were completely stove in, but she was not in imbut that the drill of the men has been neglected | modiate danger, and simply asked that her situa-Our correspondent, "Wood Pavements" and the apparatus allowed to go out of working order. A set of regulations in eight clauses have now been drawn up by the Members of the of Queen's Road. After any rain, it speedi- Cabinet and the General of the Goudarmerie, the object of which is to restore the Brigade to an effective condition by increasing the strength traffic, becomes a perfect bog, and pedestrians of the corps and by providing a supply of suit able apparatus.

With regard to the case which was heard at the Police Court on Monday last, before Mr. Pollock, in which Harold Dowson, late agent for the China and Japan Telephone Company, embezzling cortain sums of money received on behalf of the company, we learn that later in the more than six months ago; and that consequently manded to this morning.

The Shih-poo says that the 20th March was usual on such an occasion, all the civil and military authorities of the city repaired carly gratulations and respects to the happy lady. In conformity with her wonted custom, Lady Li burricane was the British corvette Callione, distributed on her birthday a large amount of correspondent is unfortunately not a practi- received as much as 1,00 native cash, while applicants for charity surrounded two sides of American, forming the respective squadrons of dec Prince & Co., at their head-office, 36, rue by or erience, are a great improvement on the Yamen, and as they received their alms they Germany and the United States at Samos. The Lafayette, and also to their room at the Exhibiwere loud in their demonstrations of gratitude. following particulars of these vessels from the Lavilion of Quaternala which will be, regret to hear that H.B.M's. Consul at Ichang, The amount of suffering that is relieved and the slipper and not so hard as the two former, number of lives saved every winter through the

with boiling tar, and this under our tropical yet been brought into circulation, but by the She carried two e.m. Sh ton brought and sun would, we fear, be offensive in the sum. allowed to see one. It is a handy, pretty coin, somewhat less in circumference than an English Dantzie in 1887 to replace the Abutress. Her shilling, but perhaps a little thicker, and practi- displacement was 1,550 tons. The engines were would resist the influences of the climate cally agrees with the description given of it of 2,400 horse-power, and her speed 15 knots. here long enough to make the experiment some time ago. On one side is the Japanese char- She carried two 24-c. m. Krapp breach-loading and Meiji Niju-ni-nen below, both in the native. 124-c. m. guns, and two 8-7-c. m. guns of the partment are best competent to decide, characters. The Imperial emblem, the Chrysan- same description; four Hotchkiss machine guns, but the wood pavement would probably themum, occupies the centre on the other side and two Whitehead torpede dischargers.

> at Fukutemiero, Ichomo, Yokohama. For some gans, and four machine guns. reason, probably jealousy, Kaneke Rikize murgrasped the weapon and in consequence most of 60 pdr. muzzle-loading guas. her fingers were cut off. In all she received The Trenton was a corvette (wood and iron) six places and several of her fingers were also heree-power 3,100, with a speed of 14 knots. amputated. On enquiry we (Japan Guzette) Her armament consisted of eleven 8-inch 8-ton were informed by the police authorities that muzzle-leading gans. neither of them is expected to recover, of such a serious character are the wounds. Rikizo, who was only received into the family a month tons, horse-power 1.176, and speed 7 knots. ago, absconded and has not yet been arrested.

The Tientain Shih-pao says: - On account of his assuming personal direction over the affairs of the Empire, the Board of Panishments has been directed by Imperial Decree that all prisoners throughout the Empire, those who have already received their sentences as well as those their penalties, to one or more degree in accordance with prescribed law. The various provincial authorities have accordingly been directed by the Board of Punishment to carry out these tumnal, assize have likewise been ordered by the to the Hon. P. Le Poer French, H.B.M. Charge | President of the Board of War to see that those scribed degrees.

> and Debating Society on Monday evening a though the first named gontleman has not yet paper was read by Mr. A. Rodger on "Sugar recovered from his cold, and several times in refining." The various processes from the first the course of the evening his voice was uncrushing of the came to the final boiling in the equal to the demands made upon it. Mr.

From a paragraph in the Shen pao we learn that the Canton mint is to be transformed into The Company have already given selections a cloth weaving factory. The paragraph is as from that opera here and the highest praise that follows :- " At Canton the Chinese Government lately established outside the East Gale two sets of machinery purchased abroad, one for minting coins. The Viceroy Chang Chih-tung, however, after mature deliberation, has come to the conclusion that both these enterprises are impracticable, the making of copper money on account of the expense, and that of silver money on account of the small probability there is of such a for weaving cloth and using the mint factory as a cloth weaving factory. This far-seeing and

province in which are Moukden and Newchwang) a proposal for the bestewal of honorary titles in The Chinaman who is charged before the return for large contributions to the Relief the seed-grain for a new crop, as well as all consider the application of Carl Bercovitz, their agricultural implements, were lost to proprietor of The Rose, Steamrock and Advice has been received from the North, says the people living over an area of 600 or 700 Thistie Tavern," to remove his business from

the N. C. Daily News, of a serious accident have li. General Tso Pan-kwei and the two No. 308 Queen's Road Central to No. 112 Queen's made use of by the opponents of railways in Tls. 15,000, with which they purchased from W. M. B. Arthur, clerk to the justices. one or two tenths of other grain, and distributed applicant. it to the distressed districts for the sowing, as a losn from the Government. . No assistance has from the Police, who stated that the house was been given by the Government towards the pur- a common grog shop which it would be most of the houses in S. Antonio parish was the scone chase of agricultural implements. On the 17th objectionable to move to the proposed of a cowardly crime. A number of Chinese February the Commissioner of Customs undiress, opposite the new market, and neumoed that a sum of over Tis. 100,000 had been the midst of highly respectable Chinese received from charitable people abroad; of which shops, much frequented by ladies and gentlemon. Tls 10,000 would be distributed locally. Tls. There could not be any public necessity for a li-4.000 in Tien-chwang-t'al and neighbourhood, censed house in this part of Que:n's Road, 120 the remaining Tls. 6,000 when the money to be | yards East of the Victoria Hotel and 120 yards ed to the house, from whence they conveyed the sent from Shanghai, for assistance to the poor West of the Stag Hotel. Maritime Sub-prefect Chang is in charge of the distribution of the spring seed barley mentioned, the application should not be granted on the

> Manila papers received yesterday contain accounts of the recent disastrous collision between the Spanish steamers Mindanao and Visayas, in which the former was sunk. The Mindango, i seems, left the river Pasig at one o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, the 17th March. All went well until a quarter to one next morning, when this point the collision took place, the Visayus striking the Mindanao on the starboard side with such force that the latter went down within two minutes. There was no time to launch the boats. and a scene of terrible panic ensued. Some the passengers and crew saved themselves by jumping on the bow of the Visayas while the two vessels were in contact, others were saved by boats from the Visayas, and some renched the shore by swimming or on floating wreckage. Of the passengers who on board, amongst whom were some ladies and children, twenty-six are reported to be missing and thirty-three saved. How many of the crew perished is not stated. The Visayas after the collision backed into shallow water and there anchored. At nine o'clook Marques del Ducro, which was conveying the Governor-General on a tour of inspection, came was sent off a beat. The hows of the Visawas tion might be reported. The Governor-General sent a telegram to Manila from the nearest station, announcing the disaster and stating that his vessel was going to the place where the collision occurred to see if any survivors might be picked up. At three o'clock in the fternoon the steamer Romulus came up, and having taken on board the survivors from the Mindanae, she towed the Visarias to Munila, which was reached at nine o'clock the next morning.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

London, 30th March. TERRIBLE HURRICANE AT SAMOA A destructive hurricane has passed over it was beyond his jurisdiction. The prisoner Samos and the men-of-war Adler, Olga, Trenton, Vandelia, Eber, and Nipsic have been totally wrocked. Nine German officers and eightymen have been drowned.

London, 31st March. FURTHER DETAILS OF THE DIS-ASTER AT SAMOA. The only vessel which escaped during the

The Adler, Olga, and Eber were German ships, " Naval Annual" will be of interest :-The Adler was a composite gun-vessel of 884 tions, the rallying centre of the numerous

The new Japanese 5 sen nickel pieces have not of 11 knots, built in 1883 at a cost of £14.017.

She was a vessel of 2.160 tons, and 2,397 horse- laid down on the counter while bargaining for power, with a speed of 14 knots, and carried the watch. He did not buy the watch and put-A terrible event took place on the (7th March eight 15-c. m. 31-ton b. l. guns, two 8.7 c. m. ting the money back in his pecket, left the shop.

The Vandalia was a woolen corvette constructed in 1874. Her displacement was 2,100

carried six 9-inch 4-ton smooth-bore and one 8-inch 8-ton breech-leading guns.

THE AMY SHERWIN COMPANY. There was a somewhat small attendance at the Theatre Royal on Monday evening, for which no doubt the weather was answerable. H. E. the Governor, Lady Dos Voors, and Major-General Edwards R. E. occupied the Governor's box. The concert programme consisted for the main part of Scotch items, which were well reninstructions. The officers in charge of the au- dered and which drow forth the londest applaus? prisoners who are awhiting souteness of decapita- both services who were present, and who through- one form and to have brought the other two and some Foreign lands—Tongking, Cochin two million tools in 1887 and to three million one form and to have brought the other two and some Foreign lands—Tongking, Cochin two million tools in 1887 and to three million. tion, strangulation, banishment, and transports- out the evening were most parsistent in their back to witness. He did not send the two forms China, Sirm, the Straits Settlements, etc., tion have their penalties commuted to the pre- demands for encores. The first item on the back as they wanted do one whether the vaccinaprogramme "The Wooses," was given in good the 29th March to the Registrat-General ex-At the meeting of the Hongkong Literary style by Messrs. Stockwell and Shorwin, alvacuum pan and subsequent drying were ex- Stockwoll, however, went bravely through Ching Wong Shan on the latinst. plained and illustrated by specimens of the pro- his part, and it is to be hoped that the duct in its different stages and also by working rest before the next performance will have the on the let inst, he was on board the Powan, models. The reader of the paper was subsequent effect of putting him in semothing like the which was lying alongside the wharf. He was ly plied with numerous questions, both by ladies form he has exhibited here on previous occasions. coming up from below on to the upper deck. Junk trade of Hongkong and Macae with the lurers, who cheated buyers abroad by shipping and gentlemen: The subject was one with which Miss Minna Fischer made quite a hit with On reaching the deck prisoner pashed against mainland in Foreign goods—namely, Hk. Tls. as of uniform quality bales in the contress of it appears that Mr. Swift, the recently appointed and gentlemen: The subject was one with a Robin Adair" and was loudly encored. Mr. him and immediately afterwards he saw him ance and it evidently excited much interest. Mr. John Lemmone was as successful as ever in his hand a watch to another man who made Rodger treated it in a lucid and onfortaining flute soles, his playing of a fantasia on Scotch off with it. Witness felt in his pocket and found manner, and to all the questions put to him airs evoking very hearty applause, white his watch had been taken. He caught held of gave answers which perfectly met the points Clutsum, played two pianeforte solos the latter prisoner who promised to get the watch back if raised. A cordial vote of thanks was accorded an original composition, in his well-known style. he would come on to the wharf and not make a to him at the close of the meeting. At the next Miss Sherwin has rarely given anything in the noise about it. When they got on the wharf, read a paper on the study of the Chinese popular taste than "It was within a mile of escape. He gave him in charge. He had not apparent than real, as about two-fifths of it Edinboro Town," and on being recalled she recovered his watch, which was worth \$30. gave the well-known "No. Sir." The concert Prisoner was sentenced to six months' im- through the Foreign Customs of the Kwangwas succeeded by the third act of Murtha. can be awarded to them is to say that on this with being drunk and disorderly and threatenoccasion the performance was quite up to the ing, to take life on board the British steamer the Treaty ports :high standard attained then. Miss Amy Shorcopper cash, and the other for minting silver win, in the title role, both sang and acted admir- high sees. ably, her rendering of the "Last Rose of Summor," being of itself, well worth going to hear Miss Minna Fischer in Nancy has a part for which she is admirably fitted and Messrs. Stock. well and Shorwin were again seen to advantage as Lionel and Plankett, respectively. The favorite "Spinning Song" called forth the beartiest applause, and the quartet "Good night" at the conclusion of the scene, was artistically rendered. The programme concluded with the mad some from the last not of the "Bride of Lammermoor." In this scene, Miss Sherwin, as Lucia, appears alone and has to sustain the whole interest herself, but she went through

> would be impossible to may but an artiste of the highest talent, and the applause when the enrinin The next performance by the Company will be on Thursday evening, when they repeat their production of "The Daughter of the Regiment."

this most trying scone in a manner which

MEETING OF THE JUSTICES OF . THE PEACE.

A meeting of the Instices of the Peace was

There was an objection to the application

There was also a petition signed by the Chinese shopksepers in the vicinity, begging that ground that a public house was always a neisy High Officials to stir up and take the most suittrade and interfered with business in the neigh- able measures for the improvement of the trade, honrhood. Four years previously there had been first by enjoining the growers by proclamations a coffee shop at No. 114. Queen's Road, which was the cause of great disturbance. The Justices refused the application on the ground of unsuitability of locality.

SUPREME COURT. 2nd April. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE FIELDING CLARKE PUISNE JUDGE!

YU KUAN CHEONG \*. HO TUNG. Mr. Wilkinson appeared for the plaintiff, and

Mr. Wilson (of Messrs, Wetten and Deacon's) for the defendant. This was a claim for \$225.84, balance due to

plaintiff (a contractor) for extra work done him in and about three houses in Elgin Street belonging to defendant. The defendant before | londly scolded her husband for venturing to take these buildings were erected required certain al. a number two without her consent. terations to be made in the plans and 'additional work to be done, and he agreed with plaintiff to pay him for such additional work such amount as Mr. Bird, architect, should estimate as the

Mr. Bird was called to prove this agreement which was made in his presunce, and also that according to the estimate he made of the additional work done the plaintiff was entitled to the The defendant contended that the plaintiff

amount he claimed. had agreed to do extra work to the basement of the house which was not mentioned in Mr. Bird's estimate and that this extra work must be done before the plaintiff, would be entitled to the money he claimed. The plaintiff denied having agreed to do this

extra work to the basement of the house, and Mr. Bird stated that he was unaware of such an agreement having been made.

NOTICE TO OUR READERS.—Those of our writes briefly to the effect that the Kuling readers who will go to Paris during the Ex-hibition of 1889 have already been informed has been sold to two very powerful Viceroys that they will be able to read the most recent and the China Merchants' Steam Navigation copies of our paper in the office of M.M. Amédée Company for the formidable sum of Tls. Prince & Co., 36, rue Lafayette, where all letters 120,000, and that each of the three purchasers stocks in Shanghai at the end of each yearseven men, four American officers and forty-six for them may be addressed, all information obtained, all purchasing orders attended to, &c. Now, we have to notify that, besides the ser- the sellers bind themselves to cease their anvice established in their office, 36, rue Lafayette, | xieties, for ever, of attempting to run a steamer MM. Amédée Prince & Co have organized to Changking, and this concession on their part, another reading-room at the Exhibition, in the Pavilion of the Republic of Guatemala, where a large room with a terrace has been put graci. ously at the disposal of our correspondents by the Upper Yangters Steam Navigation Company the general commissary of the said Republic. We strongly advise our readers going to others received several hundred. The numerous and the Trenton, Vandalia, and Nipsic were Paris to pay a visit to the house of MM. Amé.

POLICE COURT. 2nd April.

BEFORE HON. H. E. WODSHOU'S.

POCKET PICKING. Ho Sin was charged with stealing \$6 from the person of Pedro Guibara on the 1st just. Complainant, a fireman on board the Spanish man-of-war Arragon, stated that on the 1st inst. he went into a Chinese shop to purchase a watch. Ha had in his pocket a five dollar note, and a dollar note, which he took out of his pocket and The Nipsic was a wooden sloop built in 1878. his hand in his pocket and snatching out the notes derously attacked his mother-in-law, Kaneko She had a displacement of 1,373 tons, and her fan away. Witness had a friend with him who Tomi, aged 40, of 31, Fukutomicho, and his wife. speed was 11 knots. She carried six 9-inch chased defendant and caught him. Defendant Kaneko Teru, aged 16, with a doba knife. Tomi 4-ton smooth-bore, one 8-inch 8-ton, and one threw the money away as he was running and Defendant was sentenced to six months im

BEFORE MR. H. E. POLLOCK.

BREACH OF THE VACCINATION ORDINANCE. P. M. Hyndman, clerk, was charged with failing to exhibit to the Registrar-General any one of the three forms of certificate under Ordinance.

The child had been vaccinated three times. at the time on account of ill health. He vacplaining the matter.

Defaudant was fined \$1 THEFT OF A WATCH. Chan Chan, carpenter, was charged with stealing a gold watch, value \$3% the property of may be disregarded without serious risk of a

Complainant a shroff unemployed, said that prisonment with hard labour.

A DISORDERLY SEAMAY. Chateau Leoville on the 17th March, on the

On the last herring of the charge, defendant was remanded for a wock in order that he might be placed under the observation of Dr. Marques. Defendant was now fined \$50 or in default two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

> CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

to the shareholders of Cruickshank and Co., Limited, at the first ordinary general meeting, to be held on Monday, 8th April:-

The general manager has much pleasure in handing nancred a statement of accounts for the year ending 28th February, 1889. The nett profits for that period amount to \$7,373.97 out of which an interim dividend of 6 per cent. or \$3 per share (amounting to \$1,800) has already been paid, leaving still available \$2,573.97 out of which, he would recommend a further dividend of 3 per cent.

or \$1,50 per share which will absorb \$2,400 leaving a

The accounts have been audited by Mr. Fullarton WM. CRUICKSHANK, General Managor.

Hougkoug, 1st April, 1880. SUMMARY OF THE "KWANG-PAO.

29th March.

The question of the production of tea is taken up by the paper of to-day, with special reference to the trade of Foochow. The article is written by a merchant at that port, who makes no secret in laying the fault of the steady decrease of the export of ten from China at the door of the te growers and tea merchants, who practice se many ways of mixing teas with the object imposing upon the foreign buyers. The next hardship under which, in his opinion, the trade labours is lekin and he ventures to arge the

An obstruction to unvigation in the shape of a shoal of rocks having accumulated in the Lungho, petition has been made to the Vicercy to sanction the outlay for their removal, an application which has been favourably entertained.

to discontinue their majoractices, and next by

materially reducing the extertionate charges of

The Commissioner of Justice has issued a proclamation commanding the police and others who will escort prisoners for trial during the spring assizes to remain in Canton until sentence is passed and until it is known whether the prisoners will have to be taken back or not.

A large crowd was assembled the other day ontside the Western Gate attracted by a quaint sight. A female dwarf violently assaulted and The practice of drugging people and robbing

them is becoming very common, and a record of another case is given which occured in Fatshan a few days back.

COLLAPSE OF THE PROPOSED NAV. GATION OF THE UPPER YANGTSZE.

The reading world for the last two or three

Changking would be opened to general trade. Upper Yangtsze Steam Navigation Company's steamer Kulin But we (Courier) have received news from Ichaug which, if true, and t Judgment was given for the plaintiff with have every reason to believe that it is, places the opening of Chungking in the very remote future. Our correspondent of an unsteady rate of consumption. Thus the damage or not.

contribute Tis. 40,000. It is understood that namely, 11 million gallons at the end of 1885, we presume, accounts for the handsome sum they receive for the Kuling. The original capital of tries for Rice to the unprecedented quantity of return will be also-blessed). There will, was £10,0 0, and to meet liabilities it was after- no less than 6,625,842 piculs. This abnormal we trust the care and patience proverb wards increased by £3,000, so if the Kuling is demand for food came from the Kwangtung among the northern skippers will ensure sold for Tls. 120,000, the shareholders have no province; and it is known that towards the close similar freedom from accidents that character reason to complain of their speculation. We of 1868 the same provinces drew supplies of Rice ised last year. About 300 junks, whose captain regret to hear that HR M's. Consulated the from Yangtze provinces, at a time, too, when in will insist upon anchoring in the most difficulties. on account of our correspondents' vast courses who has lately been engaged in drawing up navi- amounting to famine efficient many localities. trying complication to the yet unknown co 1090 gation rules for the Kuling, is not in the best of

health. It is said that he has had just a little China for consumption in Foreign countries in too much of the business, and that he is leaving 1883 was Hk, Tls. 92.401,067, and the like value the port to recruit.

In a subsequent issue the same paper says:-The other day we reported that we had received information from Ichang to the effect that the steamer Kuling had been sold to the Viceroys of Szechuca and Hupoh and the China Mor-120,000, each of the three purchasing parties to pay Tis. 40,000 each. We understand that for the amount to be prid, not only the Kaling, but the residence and business premises recently built at Tchang have to be handed over to the purchasers. It may, perhaps, bein satisfactory bargain to the shareholders in the Upper Yang. tezo Steam Navigation Company, but we fancy it will not be viswed in this light by the general public or by the foreign Ministers in Peking.

CHINA'S FOREIGN TRADE IN 1888.

The following is the Report by Mr. E McKean, Statistical Secretary of the Imperial Maritime Customs, on the Foreign trade of China in 18-8:-

The statistics of the Foreign trade of China Defendant admitted the charge but stated in the year 1838 when compared with the like decoments; but a separate table is printed, supcertificate, but that he had never given him one, statistics of previous years have to be submitted plying such data concerning it as have been proto a certain reduction, since it was in 1888 for Dr. Cantlie said be vaccinated two of defendant's the first time that it was possible to ascertain children on the 8th December last, but neither what are mactically the entire facts connected of the two vaccinations was successful. There with China's Foreign trade. Previously to was another child which could not be vaccinated April 1887 no statistics of the junk trade of Hongkong and Macio with the mainland of cinated the same two children again on the 20th | China were accessible. The statistics of 1887 December. One of the vaccinations was suc- as published contained a record of the facts of cessful, the other only partially so. Dr. Corris | that trade for a part of a year only, whereas these vaccionted the two children again about a week statistics of 1888 cover an entire year's trade. ago and he gave him the three forms to give to It is true that there is junk trade carried on defendant. He appeared to have given defendant between certain southern ports of the Empire loon and Lappa Offices, which amounted to about undoubtedly is, its volume, considered for statis- (including Pongers) has increased about 2,000 tical purposes side by side with the volume of piculs. Foreign commerce carried on in Foreign and Chinese vessels, record of which is comnizable

wrong defluction. is represented by an estimated value of Hk. Tls. and Chefoo, with one accord attribute the re-124,782,893, in which is included that of the suit to the dishonesty of the Native manufacimported at the 19 Treaty ports having been | Braid. The fraud has brought about the open-Hk. Tis. 105,661,372. The value of the Foreign | ing and scrutiny of the bules prior to shipment, Imports at the Treaty ports for 1887 was ilk and this industry thus garded may suon again Tis. 94,824,613, so that the improvement in recover its old presperity. A somewhat similar 1883 may be set down, in round numbers, at industry at Ningpo, namely, the minufacture eleven million tacks, or 12 per cent. on the of Rush Hats, made and mutting, has passed tung province, the rasult, simply, of legislation at Hongkong and Macoo in June 1887. The B. Julian, was again placed in the dock charged following figures show the estimated value of each of the last six years' Foreign Imports at

1891. 1845.- 1886. 78,607,7 (272,780,719 +8,201,018 47,170,121,01,621,313 105,681,37 and Opium improvement apart these figures undoubtedly evidence a general growth of commerce. Of the total of 1838 for all China I find that Cotton Good: represent Hk. Tls. 44.437, 525. or about 35 per cent, of which Grey and White Shirtings absorb one-third, Cotton Yarn ouethird, and the remaining cotton goods, practically limited to T-cloths, Jeans, Drills, Shoetings, and Cotion Lastings, the balance. As I painted out in last year's Report, the import of Cotton The following is the report for presentation Yarn grows apace; in 1898 there entered in junks through Kowloon and Lappa of this article 121,565 piculs, outs of a total of 683,463 piouls, the not import through the Treaty ports being thus 561,903 piculs, or, to set out the facts in a way more easily seen, the record Japan which are increasing in mimber with lapid of import in a series of alternate years stands strides, are drawing on China for supplies of raw like this for the 19 Treaty ports:-

Picula.... 109,980 151,518 181,940 281, 47 392,984 541,988 liow much of the quantity imported reached China from India it is impossible to state, balance of \$173.07 to be carried forward to credit of but undoubtedly the proportion was large. an indication of the proportion, I may state that | supply of which is sought for, naturally enough, He trusts that the shareholders will think this red in 188 at Shanghai alone the gross import of from the home country,—it is yet strange alt fairly satisfactory, whon they consider that the English Yarn was 62.721 piculs, and that of In- to find Chine, with her hand labour only dian Yarn, 163,946 pients. In coming years to rely upon, finding a Ko eign market for separate statistics of Indian Yarn will be kept at every office, and the propertion of this large factor in international trade will then be sus- port of Chinese Sugar to Foreign coun-

ceptible of exact measurement. Of Woollen manufactures the import is re. tons), against an import of Foreign Sugar latively small, and it seems most probable that amounting to 145,870 piculs (say 8,680 tons it will remain small in years to come. Thus the only, merits some notice. Of the total expert import in past years has fluctuated more or less (1,012,820 piculs), 332,391 piculs —say, one-third the remaining two-thirds left China for Hong-

as follows:-1878. 1-80. 18-9. 1981. 1981. 1894. 18. Tts. 1875, 4945, 810, 689 1, 10 1/265 8, 709, 675 6, 930, 671 5, 677, 678

Woollen Goods are expensive and not adapted The total import of Metals reached an assessed

value of 11k. Tls. 6,887,123, of which Iron. amounting to 1,298,408 piculs equal to 77,000 tons, contributed Hk. Tls. 2.185,286; Tin. 77,225 piculs, equal to 4,600 tons, Hk. Tls. 2,135,721; and Lead, 229,767 piculs, equal to 13,670 tons, Hk, Tls. 1,005.271. The import of Metals for so large a country as China seems small; but it is interesting to note that of the Iron imported almost the entire quantity cousists of Nailroad, Bar, and Old Iron, the demand for which is universal, to meet, as those who live in China are prepared to expect, the needs of the small workshops which exist, with such admirable convenience to society, all over the Empire. The Chofoe Report specially points out the fact that Old Iron sells for higher prices if it be reduced to small pieces, which can be easily trunsported. The import of Iron in each of the past six years has been :-

figures which seem to indicate a stendy growth in this article of commerce, . In regard to Tin and Load the quentities of the past six years

head ...... 110,729 103,114 154,788 215,837 223,826 22 ,764 It has to be borne in mind that the production of Tin in China itself has advanced so far that it

has become an article of Export at two ports-Pakhoi and Ichang, each remote from the other. -the shipments amounting to 15,000 piculs in lying at sucher in the Outer Anchorage. B Imports was Hk Tls. 35,908,268 in 1888, against The barque kept on and crossed the Bar. Hk. Tls. 25,976,261 in 1837. The increase, in round numbers ten million taels, is mearly coverad by the difference between the Kowloon Sun-

dry Foreign Imports of 1888 and those of 1887. and is referable to the abnormal quantity of rice to Taku, crossed the bow of the steamed carried in junks from Hongkong to the Canton Smith lying at anchor in the condstead province. In the whole list a few items only The tug managed to clear the steamer, but the claim special notice, namely, fish and fishery lighter got across her bows, started the stem products, Hk. Tls. 2,637,132; matches, Hk. Tls. and , bulged out the plates. The lighte 1,089,842; kerosine oil, Hk. Tls. 2,219,332; and sustain no damage. The steamer got unde rice, Hk. Tls. 9,633,829. Fish and fishery weigh and made for the Bar, grounded, and look products reached the large import of 309,698 ed to damage. After crossing the Bar on the piculs, brought, it has to be borne in mind, from p.m. tide, the Smith proceeded up river, arriving abroad. It may safely be stated that this quan- at the Bundabout 9 p.m. A survey of the steams years has been eagerly awaiting the news that tity, large as it is, represents the veriest fract was held on the following day. The Smith let tion of Chiua's consumption of such articles, for Take on the 20th, where temporary repair by the successful passage over the rapids of the her coast swarming with myriads of men who at will be executed, and upon reaching Shangh every inlet land the produce of the sea in ener- she will be decked. mous quantity. Of matches it suffices to remark that the quantity shown in the statistics is not Heima, when bound in came into collision wit the measure of the entire consumption, as the the Kowshing bound out, damage to the amount manufacture of matches is carried on in China of about Tis. 600 being done to the Feima, itself. Kerosine oil, judged of by the statistics the Rowshing crossed the Bar and proceeded of the past, furnishes evidence of being an article Shanghai we have not heard if she sustained imports of the past four years were as follows:-

The fluctuation in supply does not appear so bends below the Nine Forts, the last lighter, the marked if allowance be made for the unconsumed Of million gallons at the end at 1886, 51 mil. er, and the damaged craft sont back to Taku fe lion gallons at the end of 1887, and 5 million gallons at the end of 1888. Russian oil entered the China market for the first time during the steamers will be blessed with their old friend year. In 1888 China drew on Fereign count the Skanghai grain junks (who doubtless 7.182,211 piculs, of which the junks carrying mer- course, be the usual amount of stupidity. p chandise from Hongkong to the mainland carried versity, and annoyance from the junks, some portions of those very provinces scarcity navigable parts of the narrow Peiho, must be The total estimated value of Exports from figuration of the river bed .- Chinese Times.

in 1887 was Hk. Tls. 85,860,208. Of the many products which united to make up the result given, it may be safely said that two only, Tea and Silk, attract general attention in a marked way. The estimated value of Tea (including Tea Dust) exported in 1888 was Hk. Tls. 30,293,251, and of silk in its various forms Hk. Tls. 32,180,298, and these two commodities taken together make,

chants' Steam Navigation Company, for Tls. as regards value, the two-thirds of the entire The statistics of the expert of tea. excluding

ion dust, for the past five years are as follows:--Tea, Black Pis. 1,564,451 1,618,403 1,654,058 1,629,680 1,542,209 " Green 202 556 214.693 192,930 184,681 209,377 Brick 244,096 280 111 381,492 331,291 412,641 Total ... 2012.003 2.113,207 2,208,490 2,145,802 2,104.237

Vol 10 Hk, Tis 29,030,071 32,207,042 33,461,15530,011,720 30,280,611 Those statistic undoubtedly show that the Tea trade of China has not as yet seriously diminished in volume or value (for the purchasing power; of the Haikwan taol is in this Eastern country about as great as it over way.) But over and above the quantities stated, all of which were exported through the Foreign Customs, annually inordaking quantities were conveyed overland from Hankow by direct inland routes to Russian territories. As such Tea was not reported at the Foreign Customs, the statistic of it, which were procured from separate sources, are not included in the tables, compiled from Customs

The export of Silk in its various forms shows a falling off in quantity compared with that of he year 1887. The aggregate values of the past six years are, however, as follows:-

IIk, Tla...... 29,18 , VII 20,001,175 2 440 1,218 31,000,214 (2,180,204 The figures of 18-7 and 18-8 should be compured with the previous years, after making due allowance for the Si k export through the Kow-

Another very impo-tant Export which deport of it has fallen off by one-half, from 150,952 pionls in 1887 to 79.934 picuts in 1888; and The total of China's Foreign Imports for 1888 | writers at the chiof exporting marts, Tientsin

I through a similar trial. There are other items in the list of Exports which merit attention also. Clathing, Boots and Shoes, to the value of Hk. T's 2,166,970, were experted, being presumably sout abroad to supply the needs of the men and women who have left China to push their fortunes in new countries. Next in the list is Raw Cotton, the export of which amounted to 202,546 piculs. against which, as a sat off, there were imported 1 156,579 piculs of For ign Raw Colton. 1888 was the first year, within recent times at all events, in which the bilance of the trade in Raw Cotton resultation layear of China; us can be seen from the statistics of it for seven years given below:-

Foreign, Import ..... Pls. 178,478 211,336 187,306 131, 195 110,637 173,728 156,579 Native, Export .........Pls. 41,690, 22, 71 5:,572

61,85 47,5.2 69,227 2-2,516 From the fact that this Chines: Raw Cotton exportod may be said to have gone to Japan exchisively. I conjecture that the Cotion mills of materia. There is what seems a curious item inthe list of Exports abroad, namely, Paper, amounting to 202 902 piouls (say, 12,000 tons.). valued at Hk. Tls. 1.650,293. Hearing in mind that in Paper there is included the indispensable adjunct of all Chinese life, Joss Paper-the this manufacture, since undout-dly the entire 12,000 tons are not all Joss Paper The extries, amounting to 1:012,820 piculs (say 60,000) -were shipped from Formosa to Japan, and

proportion being junk cargos which passed throughathe Kowleon and Lappa offices, and may in part have subsequently re-entered China is Nistice produce imported from Hongkong. With the year 1888 come the introduction at Shanghai of Bonded Whehouses for general Foreign Imports. Considering that often times changes are wronght slowly in methods of doing business, oven when the advantages derivalde are immediate and obvious, only can understand that the first year's results of Bonding

kong and Mucao respectively, by far the large

A CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS ON THE PEIHO RIVER.

are comparatively small.

TIENTSIN, 23rd March. With the large number of craft that is continually moving to and fro in these waters, seeidents are from time to time bound to occur. Picula, 817,526 843,582 1202800 1,081,41 1,028,0 0 1,295,498 but it is a matter of congratulation that, they are not very frequent. A few days ago there were as many as twenty-nine shamers at the Bar, bosides four or five sailing ships, and it is not surprising that, with the namerous tugs and lighters going out, moving from ship t ship and returning, there have been a few accidents at the narrow entrance of the Peilio.

The British barque Walter Singfried, when under sail and making for Taku Bar, came across the bows of the British steamer Wenchon youd carrying away a small portion of the The total estimated value of Sundry Foreign | barque's stern gear no serious damage was done

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On the 19th inst. the tug Lee-tah was towing Gallons ... 14,000,000 28,038,101 12,015,135 16,613,090 three lighters to Tientain. Rounding one of the lighter ahead of her. The Camel was at on run into a creek, her cargo put into a spare ligh It will not be long before the captains

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Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-5 per cent Premium, nom. Chinese Imperial Loan. ISSG F-11 per cent. prominin, nom. Société Française des Charbonnares du Tonkin -\$310 per cent. prom., sales. Hongkong High Level Tramways Company Limited-200 per cent. prem. East Borneo Planting Company, Limited -\$43 per share, sales. Crnickshank & Co., Limited-\$50 per share, Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited-\$121 per Songei Koyah Planting Company-\$35 per Steam Launch Company, Limited-400 per cent., nom The Hongkong Brick and Cement Company, Limited -\$20, sales. treen Island Company, Limited-\$60 per share. abuk Planting Company, Limited-\$15 per share, nom. Electric Company, Limited \$10 per share sellers. Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Com-

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W. DOBERCK.

## NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL

THE FRENCH CONCESSION AT CANTON.

We translate the following article from La

belong to England, the other third, comprising | move defects. twenty lots, is the property of the French Go- The opinion just expressed about taxation revernment. The English speedily built a Con- fers mainly to the black teas which go to Eugsulate and an Episcopalian church, and sold lots land. As regards the green teas which go t of land by successive suctions to most the American, the Amoy merchants point out that requirements of commerce. Not thinking that during the last ten years, although Chinese France had spent her treasure and the lives of green tens have not gone forward in less quanher soldiers for the acquisition of waste land, tity, there has been no increase; while, on the Frenchand Belgian merchantsapplied to the Con- other hand, Japanese tens have increased dursular Anthorities to have the lats on the French ling the same period from 25,000,000 lbs. to Concession put up to public anotion, as had been 42,000,000 lbs. The Japanese duty on tea, they done in the English Concession. The Consuls say, is only \$I a picul, while the Chinese amounts referred the matter to the Minister for Foreign | to as much as 34 per cent. ad valorem; and they Affairs and to the Legation at Peking. Thirty add that if the Chinese duty were made someyears have elapsed and a decision has not yet been thing like the Japanese, or, say, about 75 par arrived at Oarnationals, weary of the systematic cont ad valorem the Chinese green tens they delays of the administration, transferred to other refer to would be sold in great quantities. places the activity and the capital they had in morchan's are presumably quite right in their tended to employ at Canton, a place of which the statistics; but as to the change they propose in conquest of Tonquin will augment the import- the duty, I think the consideration of it may be ance, great from the first for the country which deferred without danger, although I do not fullacions that it is suprising to find them ad- The Commissioner of Finance of the Kweipossesses the monopoly of the silk industry. The French concession remains waste land,

the wall, and that is to have on the land resi- prices at Hankow and, disappearing from com- tens from India and Ceylon, and it is this rubdents paying manicipal taxes. It is true that petition, have brought down prices in London, bish which has been one of the curses of the French applicants of 1862, whose names and market while they send their Tea to be sold in a offers remain on the registers of the Canton falling one, naturally find also that their business mans, who by reason of our criminal administra- ty and its attendant badness of business result tive neglect, have been free up to the present not so much from any deterioration in the the land with gold at a public auction in order Less Tea arrives-less Tea passes through Eng-French commerce. Of about 29,000 bales of Ten has deteriorated. And it must be remomsilk annually exported from Cunton, France bered, too, that although a less quantity passes alone takes 14,000 If Lyons made its purchases | through England, the total quantity which direct at Canton it would be disastrons for the leaves China has gone on increasing, and can-English and German establishments. The house | not yet be said to be decreasing. representative at Canton, but he is accommodat- factor, and all that is said about it werits serious limited in his transactions by his contract differs from year to year and with the producwith his hosts, Mesers. Rossell and Co, Our ing lo alities, it is nevertheless true that prepa-Consul, also, occupies a second class hired house ration has much to do with it; care in preparaon the English concession and is reduced to the tion may possibly convert indifferent material humiliation of being under the protection of the into reasonably good Ten, but carelessuess will British police, who in April, 18-8, took occasiont assuredly spoil the very best leaf. Comparing per cont. of the fedian product, is At Ch'a Kao a fire broke out in a sugar to insult him after having permitted an attemp the Toa. of present and former times, the defects to assassinate him.

This fantastic neglect of French interests is [ [a.] Too long an interval is allowed to clapse traval of our interests. The Foreign Office keep, cannot plead as a defence that it has not been enlightened by its agents at Canton. Every permanent, has urged the utilisation of the land belonging to France. One of the late acting Consuls, whose competence in commercial matters is recognised even by his numerous enemies, addressed a report to the Ministry last year on this important question. Care was taken not to give even extracts from this report in the Bulletin Consulaire. The to muster. Chambers of Commerce and Syndicates have an interest in knowing the contents of a document so important from a commercial point of view, since its author advances the idea, the only practical one, soil where the Tea shrub is planted, and the caused by a decreased and constantly decreasing now, of making the lots on the Canton concession available for the national commerce by offer ug them as a premium for the establishment of syndicate offices or banks. But this tardy reparation ought to be removed, and young ones planted she removes a weight of ten which if added to is not all that is required by our commercial into- instead rests; measures must be taken to secure attention to those important interests on the part of the same shrub at the same time, only such as | Paragraphs 5 and 6 relate to various improvethe authorities. The Ministry of Foreign are ready for gathering. The leaves which are ments in growing, making, and packing teas Affairs is, no doubt, strongly hedged round, but ready ought to be picked from all the trees in which the Chinese grower might adopt if his Frauce is growing tired of the perpetual obsta- the plantation at the same time, and each picking energies were quickened by the remission of cles placed in the way of colonial development and longht to form a separate chop. The leaf ought taxation. But these improvements will never foreign trade. If the Ministry of Foreign Affairs | not to be picked too soon or too late: although | take place while the trade is crushed beneath the will not comply with the demands made by the a 10 days' overgrow gives an increase of 25 per present imposts: authorised representatives of French trade, the cont. in weight, it causes a decrease of lisper - The joint commission of intelligent experts latter must go further, and giving in some way cent in value. In India there are as many as the "Ten School" the "model plantation," the a Legal-Commercial Conneil to the Quai d'Orsay, 16 pickings; that is, each shrub contributes "Tea district under the supervision of properly proceed to a division of the land of the Canton to 16 chops. concession between the great Syndical Chambers. As there is not a single French police quent processes-withoring, rolling, ferments- Indian plan," would prove useless, handicapped officer at Canton to guard the concession, the tion, thing-ought to be at once proceeded with. as China is in the struggle with India and Ceylon, Minister of Foreign Affairs will be compelled to The greatest care should be exercised at each where the plantations are managed by energetic allow the representatives of the Syndicates establish themselves, unless the Minister Marine sends the China squadran to Can-

REPORT ON TEA ADDRESSED THE TSUNG-LI YAMEN BY

ton to combat French trade and bembard

its nescent establishments.

SIR ROBERT HART. Inspectorate General of Custon Peking, 31st August 1888. 1.-In 1885 and again in 1887 I submitted lews respecting the increasing demand fe Indian Tea the deterioration of Chinese Ter and the suggestions that had been made regard ing preparation and taxation; and baving r ceived the Yamen's order to instruct the Commit sioners of Customs at the ports concerned examine and report, I directed them to do so b my Circular No. 387 of the 39th August, 1887 The replies of the Commissioners at Hankow, Kinkiang, Wuhu, Shanghai, Ningpo, Tamsui, Foochow, Amoy, and Canton have arrived; that there are faults of preparation to be remedied and that taxation ought to be reconsidered, is the general result of their inquiries. After careful examination and comparison of what the Commissioners write from their several local standpoints, I have now the honour to submit this Report for the Yamen's consideration. 2 .- Not only is China the native place of Ter

but Chinese Tea is superior in flavour to all other Teas; and yet, although the export of Chinese Tea has goue, on increasing, a large | -ither open a Tea School, or catablish a Model proportion of the increasing number of Teadrinkers in England take Indian instead of the supervision of properly appointed Govern-China's Black Teas, and in America take Japan | ment experts, or charter a Company to conduct ese instead of China's Green Tens. The cause | the business of a Ten plantation on the Indian of this is not that the raw product—the leaf- plan. I am of opinion that any or all of these has deteriorated in China, but rather because India and Japan take so much greater pains ty; the idea is, of course, to provide a fitting pat- Vicercy at Canton reported to the Emperor the there was barely time to save anything. to prepare their Teas well that not only do the | tern for all to study and imitate. In this con-Teas keep without changing, but they can be nection the attention of the Yamen is more do their painstaking producers know how to save Foochow No. 588, and Mr. Chalmers despatch, the lines were completed, the lines were concerned to pay a visit to her relatives and has weather the attendance at the auction of land at ment, and the other to six months' imprisonment, wisely. China's failure to take the same pains Tamsui No. 326, regarding the establishment of in the work might be rewarded similarly with over since been lost sight of. is partly because of the old reason—it was always model plantations at Pakling and Tausui. so,—and partly because falling prices have 7.—In conclusion, it is evident that there are provinces. The new lines in question, which large number of gambling shops, which large number of gambling shops, which were The vonders were represented by Mr.H.J. Holmes, and was concerned some time ago in manufacturdisheartened producers; old conditions are, in causes for the representations put forward by have now been entirely linished, run from Nan-scaled with the official scale. fact, beaten by new methods. Thus the result | merchants; nor am I the only one who has called ning to Po-ai in Yunnan, from Wu-chon to A suspicious character was met by the police | surveyor; Mr. G. R. Lammert was the auctioneer. | notes were produced by the photo-lithographic is that every new advance gives competitors an attention to them. In the Peking Gazette I have Kwei-lin, from Swatow to Choo-chon, and from and who when accested could give no The French steamer Phaquee, which recently process, but not very well done, though in a additional held on the market; and sithough noted what the Vicercy of the Min-Che provinces Canton wia Shan-chon and Nun-hinng to the satisfactory account of himself. Perceiving that China's export trade has not yet fallen off, it said about the collapse of the Ten markets in a Yu-ling Hills, where connection is made with he keld several opium pipes and suspecting sage from Haiphong to Hongkong, arrived here The signatures on the notes, which were done

exist. That other Teas should be sold cheaper Vicercy of the Two Kinng afterwards said in tensions in Hainan and Chrin thou. The Emperor rest. is explained in two wava: (a) China's Tens are more heavily taxed .- ness of Indian and Japanese tens and the losses the Board at Peking protested successfully against Although all Teas pay the same Import Duty of Chinese merchants, and how the Likin had the proposed scale of rewards. It hald that the at their destination, they are differently taxed been slightly reduced in consequence; in the hope officers were entitled only to ordinary and not day for contributions towards the relief of the on departure; e.g., while Japanese Tons pay only of benefiting an industry of so much importance to as before to special recompense or marks of dis-famine in An-hui, where five million persons are on the 29th ultimo, on the Reclamation Bill, His

(b) Inda's Teas are more economically prepared. is true that at the start China alone produced it was merely in extension or continuation of with any feeling of humanity are entreated to -In India the work of a large plantation; is tea and everybody bought from China, and that what had already been done. Secondly, the come forward and subscribe in such a good managed by one head from first to last, but it is while the ever-growing populations of Russia, circumstances were different. The original line and deserving cause. not so in China: Tea growers on the hill-side America, and the Pacific prefer Chinese tea was specially required at the moment for the At Wei-show one night a man suffered so the Acting Atterney-General, is just as well able own only, a few shrubs each,—the pickers sell to and scarcely touch Indian, even England does transmission of military intelligence, while there much from insomnia that he got up and to make up his mind on this as the Governor is. the collectors—the collectors to Chinese traders, not yet take less, although latterly buying was nothing of pressing importance with regard walked into the garden, when, to his intense I mean any man of intelligence." Flattering

thus, expenses are greater, and Tea therefore places want Chinese Tea that no matter what with great animation. With regard to imme. The moon was of abnormal size and shedding. Two robberies were committed at the Hong-3.—The merchants' recommendations are that its not finding a market. And moreover, Indian will bear comparison with the old one. For one day he spoke of his experience to his friends, who evening and early on Wednesday morning, which taxation ought to be reconsidered and defects Tea, although possessing the good quality of of them was required for the operations against showed him how he should have paid homage to were apparently both the work of the same hands. remedied, but they are not all in accord respect strength, is now prenounced to be in some way the Hainan aborigines, and another for the the moon, and asked in prayer for the accom- The thieves entered the rooms occupied by Miss ting taxation. Some assert that if Likin and harmful, while Chinese Tea is not harmful, and, transmission of the plishment of his best wishes as on such nights Amy Sherwin, and after failing in their attempts Duties are not outirely repealed, the Tea trade although not so strong, possesses in a high de- demarkation of the Touquin Boundary; in both prayer is efficacious. will be destroyed; while others are of opinion gree another excellent quality—flavour,—in of which cases, moreover, they materially con- Outside the Southern Gate lives a man called trunk and extracted a gold ring and some other that to lighted taxation will be of no advantage which Indian Tens are deficient; as long as tributed to the success which was happily Liang and his family. As few days back, at an articles of jewellery and some money. Another to trade. A comparison of these views shows Tens possess this flavour, they will find pur- achieved. Or if dangers and difficulties be taken early hour of dawn, a man penetrated into the room close to these, occupied by a gentleman Tea, viz., about 2d. a pound, entirely abelished, repealed for the encouragement of growers,-I party from the suspicious aborigines who had native shipping suffered considerably. Indian Tea would still undersell it ld. a pound. do not consider that any good will attend the never heard of such things as telegraphs. For The black policemen engaged by the Macao one of a party of armed burglers at Wanchai the progress of the works at Port Arthur:-In

from the owners of the Ton plants, might be re- I that whatever can be done shall be done. be well to give effect to this suggestion : national the last twenty years. revenue will not feel the loss, and the abolition In 1862 the Chinese conceded in perpetuity of the tax will encourage that carefulness in the island of Shamien for the residence of Eu- tending the plant which is demanded at the very repeans at Canton. Two thirds of the ground starting point of any effective attempt to re-

deny that it might result in larger sales. . 4 .- As regards what merchants alloge respect-

for the defence of the Europeans since the riet of point out that less Tea is sold in London than This is not a fact, for as regards divice to as Emperor to command the Provincial authorities At Kao-yao while preparation -- were being 1883 are gradually resuming possession of. But formerly, and explain that the cause of that is many gardens in India and Ceylon produce tens to assign reason why the regulations have not made for the barial of a man and the mourners this is not all. The island of Shamion, formed of deterioration in quality. It does not appear to fully as good as, if not superior to, the best Ohis been complied with soil faid on sand bank, requires constant attention one that this explanation can be accepted. nese product, while if comparison is made for the extenor- resuscitated, much to the surprise and d light to the wall of the bund to resist the caprices of Changes have taken place in the teade; for in- tween the average quality of the entire erop of dinary metropolitan examination, and the exathe Poarl River By neglecting to reper the stance, the Russians use to buy in London but India and Coylon with that of the outire erop of miners have already been selected. take place. There is a means of maintaining Russian buyors competing for Tea have raised is more rubbish compared with the commonest of Punishments. the hour for public auction has passed. The and thus English merchants, buying in a rising | China trade. Consulate, are dead. The English and Gor- is not what it was; but this falling off in quantifrom strong French competition, would cover quality of Tea as from changes in the trade, to keep out for ever the representatives of land; but the cause of that is not that Chinese

of Cozon and Girand (Lyons) has, it is true, a | 5.—Quality, however, is a very important id by a firm on the English concession and is consideration. Although quality necessarily the merchants complain of are those:-

commencing to occupy the attention of the Cham- between picking, and firing; the firing is in- that the latter is not collected by the Imperial bers of Commerce and syndicates interested. adequate; and while the Tea is deficient in For thirty years there has been a manifest be- strength and loses its flavour, it also does not advocating its remission. In paragraph 4 hir

packed with the good, and the consequence is Consul without exception, whether acting or that the good are also damaged. Too much Dust is put in each box, and the whole sometimes further adulterated by the intermixture of the fully apparent. Look at the melanchely nesileaves of other plants. (c.) The boxes in which Tea is packed are not certainly been the cause of decline there; while

strong enough or well enough made for its pro-(d.) The Tea when delivered is often not up !

6.—The remeding follows: (a.) There ought to be a sufficient depth

ground ought to be weeded and manured. pruning ought-not to be neglected; aged shrubs used to pass through London, but by so doing

. (c.) All the leaves should not be removed from the depression.

(d.) After the leaves are picked, the subsestop, and the leaf cught to be well protected Europeans eager to adopt every new improvefrom the weather, especially just after picking ment as it forms up. and while awaiting the other processes. -

more securely closed.

Tea owes its success to the fact that the exact and faithful performance of all that these recommendations involve is there the rule, and that this is easy for India, where a single Tea plantation means thousands of shrubs on the same plot, where picking, withering, rolling, dring, packing, and despatching are all proceeded with at once and under the same supervision and management, and whence the Tens are forwarded to and sold in the London market. so that proper attention is given to each leaf at each stage, and while the Tea produced is firstclass Ten, expenses are reduced to a minimumonly one profit is looked for and consumers can purchase cheaply; whereas in China it is just

inferiority of quality and elevation of price. ment of a joint Commission of intelligent experts to spend one season in Chinese Tea districts and another among Indian Tea plantations, to study in person the processes, practice, and custom of each, and, after a proper comparison, advise as to what thinwought to charge or drop or adopt. It is also recommended that China should Plantation, or place a given Tea district and r would be beneficial to both trade and commedi-

is widely asserted that in time it must cease to Momorial to the Emperor, and also what the Kinngsi. There have also been new has or ex- them to have been stolen, he was put under ar- on the 28th ultime. It seems that in order to by hand, were good initations. another Memorial about the success and cheap- at first acceded to the Viceroy's request; but later a fourth of what Chinese pay, Indian Teas pay Chine and the Chinese. An evil so widely known | tinotion. On the carlier occasion the work was starving or dying from hunger. The scenes of and recognised ought; of course, to be cured. It undertaken for the first time, while on the latter woe are graphically depicted, and all persons -and the latter, again, to Foreign merchants; more and more Indian ten; in fact, so many to the later ones. The Viceroy combats this view surprise, a strange phenomenon struck his eyes. this, to the Acting Attorney-General. quantity is produced there is but little fear of diate importance, he helds that the new lines forth a lustre surpassingly bright. The next kong Hetel between nine o'clock on Tuesday

tax named the Shan-li, or "hill tax," collected and preparing Tea, and it is most important mitted with advantage; it amounts to 760 cash. 8 .- Copies of the latters and despatches reor T1. 0.4.6.0 a pieul, and its removal would en- | coived and issued connected with this question courage peasant growers and help them to are submitted for the Yamon's consideration, take more care of their plants. I think it would juid also some figures from the Tea statistics of

ROBERT HART. Inspector General of Customs

## CORRESLONDENCE

We do not hold curselves responsible for the opinic expressed by our Correspondents.] THE TEA TRADE OF CHINA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE . " HONGKONG DATE Sir. On seeing in your paper the "Report Robert Hart" I turned to it with much inter- liable, as a proof of Imporial favour. est in the hope that so clever a man would have in its struggle with India and Coylon. I was which the Emperor will be present in person. the more disappointed to find that all Sir Robert Great Britain. Many of his arguments are so Houses to remit duties on them.

. Then Sir Robert Hart says that the exper of China tea has not fullen off. Even in August. 1888, the date of this "Report," it must hav, been rather difficult to make this statement. It August, 1839, it will be quite impossible, and b August, 1890, Sir R. Hart will have to bewail most serious diminution.

In paragraph 3 Sir Robert Hart says that and from that fact proceeds by a process of no benefit to the China trade to remit the taxes. But Indian and Cevlon tens cannot be sold at a profit at 6d. Only favoured gardens can produce teas even at 8d. to 81d. without loss, to say that in the struggle which is now going on as to which country can produce the best which according to Sir. R. Hart amounts to 33 clopes with her, manifestly absurd. To confead for the main- factory, consuming the whole establishment. tonance of that tax while advocating the pattry remission of the land tax also seems absurd, and Maritimo Customs seems the only reason for Robert says that "it does not appear to him (b.) Spoiled leaves are not rejected but are that deterioration in quality is the cause of less China tea being sold in London." It may not but to all who like me have been engaged in the China trade for the past 25 years it is most paintion of Foochow: deterioration in quality has Hankow teas have borne the strain of competition

in that their quality has been botter maintained. In paragraph 4 Sir Robert attempts to account for the balness of London business by the fact as that Russia draws her supplies direct instead of taking them through London as formerly. This is not a fact; the budness of London trade is home consumption of China lea and by nothing (b.) The Teashrab ought to be well cared for : olse. It is true that Bussia takes direct what the present over-supply would only increase

appointed Government experts," the "company to conduct the business of a toa plantation on the

In paragraph 7 Sir Robert makes a most as-(c.) The inner and outer cases in which Tea | tounding statement, viz, "Even England does is packed ought to be more solidly made and not yet take less China tea," which is capped by a statement almost as extraordinary that "so what quantity is produced there is but little four and implored his help. H. E. read their poli-In this connection merchants add that Indian of its not finding a market." A glance at the figures below will show that England takes considerably less China tea and also that the annual diminution has assumed alarming proportions. But it is not only in England that the Indian product is ousting the Chinese from the market; Australian and Now Zenland houses are opening

following figures plainly show :--1887-8 ......122,000,000 lbs Hoping you will be able to find room in your valuable paper for the foregoing remarks,-I

remain, yours faithfully. AN OLD FLAND. Canton, 29th March, 1889.

DIFFICULTIES OF TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION IN CHINA.

The following is from the Chinese Times progress that was being made in the conthose who had erected the earlier lines in the SUMMARY OF THE "KWANG PAO."

> 23rd March. PERING NOTES.

The paper of to-day opons with several items occasion of the young Emporor's marriage. The day before the marriage the three Princes were deputed by His Majesty to offer oblations in the Temples dedicated to Heaven and to Earth and in Ancestral Tomple.

A few days before the ceremony the Board of Works carried out decorations on a grand scale starting from the Palace as far as the Tachen gate. Sitks and sating were profusely put up and

The material and timber necessary for the re-Hart's ability is devoted to finding reasons and pairs to the I He Y and are to be brought up to arguments for maintaining the taxes which are Peking from Shanghai and other places, and slowly but surely destroying China's trade with orders have been issued to the various Castom in apprehending two neterious characters. vanced as the result of long and patient enquiry. | chow province has, it would appear, not remitted | chow, a violent just of wind came which blow

which the Chinese, who have had a camp there ing defects to be eradicated. British merchants Tea is superior in flivour to all other teas." and a memorial presented to the Throne begat he

wall the entire island is placed at the mercy of a new buy in Hankow, and the result of the open- China, all engaged in the test trade know quite. A list of persons suspected of being involved characters and was taken along the street when sudden rise of the river, thus exposing France ing up of a sea route is not only that Ten goes to well that the former is immeasurably superior. in the robbery committed in the residence of her shouts attracted the vigilant police of Canto the responsibility of catastrophes that may Rossia direct, instead of through London, but A very large quantity of the Chinese production Prince Kung has been submitted to the Board ton. The characters finding themselves compelled CANTON NEWS.

catches of fish of late, and the oversupply of the number two in his house, but his virage of a wife market has brought down prices considerably. The proposal to fill up a piece of ground out- surreptitiously ran away. side the southern gate and to utilize it, has been rejected by the gentry and literati, who explain that any changes or reclamations will interfere with the fung-shui.

A young bride displays a will of her own by refusing to marry the older brother, explaining that she had been led to think that the y unger brother was to be her husband. Flatly refusing to change her mind and threatening as alle di reasoning truly Chinese to show that it would be to commit spicide, she had to be humoured in

A bonze who was called in to read a re love with the widow, who is induced after a little pressure to become his wife. But a few years later a man in search of a suitable party to wed possible ten at the lowest possible price. China falls in love with the bonze's partner, and selling would not be benefited by the remission of a tax the two children and pocketing the proceeds, he

25th March.

LEADING ARTICLE. The first part of an argument on the great importance attached to ability by the present dynasty appears in the paper of to-day. The writer shows that without ability, no government is possible, and that in order to promote thiability the present dynasty has established cols leges in Peking and elsewhere for the study of foreign languages and sciences, and has sent large number of men abroad to get an insight volves upon all government officials to exerciso their talents in a proper channol with due diligence and steadiness of purpose.

On the "3rd of this month, the Vicerov presided in the Governor's yamên at an examination open to all comers as a test of their reading and

A donati at of \$4,000 has been given by the United States towards the relief of the sufferers in the Shanburg faming.

On the day in which the Chih-chow of Liensavages from the neighbouring tribes throngen perceiving their presence, and in order to prevent any outbreak, urged them to return to their homes, promising to investigate their griovances, if they had any, later on.

A passenger boat near Shao-ching was cap- The statutory monting of the China Borneo sized on the 22nd by a sudden gust of wind. Company was held on the 30th March. It is not yet known whother any loss of life en- Lieut.-General Cameron, with Mrs. Cameron

On the 22nd, while the Pan Yu magistrate was directing the examinations; a substitute was 131st March. On the 30th March the General detocted and put under arrest. A young servant girl after receiving a esvere flogging from her master, swallowed a large

dose of opium, intending to take her life, but her Nizum. master was driven to such despair by this suicidal attempt that he ran about shouting for help, whom a passer-by came up to him and gave him a powder, which acted as an antidote and brought the girl round. (f.) Musters ought not to be sent on ahead of many places want Chinese Tea that no matter of his yamen, three old men fell on their knoes

tion and promised them redress.

26th march LEADING ARTICLE.

of the argument that appeared yesterday on the Australia, and China, the directors will recom- through the chain passing. I we native divers subject of the importance attached to ability mend a dividend at the usual rate of seven per went down and recovered the mether, but they at Calcutta; we shall soon see them at Colombo; by the Emperor enjoining all students of foreign cont per annum and carry £25,000 to the Reserve wut themselves involved in the quick-sand, and and Indian and Ceylon teas are rapidly gaining languages to make proper use of the opportuni- Fund, which will then stand at £250,000. favour in these countries. Sir Robert will find ties afforded them, and the officials sent abroad Major General Bevan Edwards, R. E. who sucless and less money coming in from the export to get an insight into foreign systems of go- coeds Lient. General Cameron in Command of the Japan, is, as already mentioned, undergoing a duty, but doubtless it will last his time. Possibly verament to turn to good account the inform- Troops in Hougkong, arrived here on the 1st inst. judicial examination in connection with alleged when the harm is done beyond recall, the ation they will acquire for the benefit of the Chi- by the English mail. He was received at Murray "squeezes" made by him when purchasing cop-Chinese Government will recognise its error, and nese Government. The argament goes further and Pier by a detachment of the 91st Regiment and per in Japan for the Chinese Government. We by removing taxation endeavour to resuscitate a calls upon all officials without discrimination to the Band, and proceeded thence to Government now hear (says the Shen-pao) that many other defunct trade, but that China's trade with Great | display zeal and ability and thus give effect to | Hoase. the opposite that takes place, and the result is Britain is being gradually extinguished the the solicitude and interest of the Emperor.

against his son-in-law for having by ill-treat- E. Withers, United S ates Consul at this port. former Minister, will also be required in China at ment and by the administration of doses of opium | Until the arrival of his successor, the Consulate | once to answer the charges brought against them. brought about the death of his daughter The will be in charge of Mr. Robt. Withers, the The Shen-pao says that the water of the Peiho husband flatly denied the accusation, and the Vice Consul. Magistrate tried to induce the parties not to go | The names of Messrs. Lee Sing and Poon a little over 7 feet, and sleamors have led to to law about a purely family matter, but on their Pong have, we note, been added to the Board of wait at Taku for five days before they could asrefusal, the authorities suggested an inquest, the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency could. On the 15th ult. about fifteen ressels were nolice got wind that a notorious robber and are to enable the Chinese to take an interest in Tsin-sze examination at Peking are-coming up taken shelter in one of the houses, and while the undertaking. they tried to force the door the robber gave

them the slip from the back part of the premises. | the appointment by the Governor, under instruc- | by the present state of the Peilie, and dredging A pawnshop was burnt down outside the Wes- tions from the Secretary of State for the Co- is argently required. summary of the Peking Guzette: Last year the tern Gate. The flames gained so rapidly that lonies, of His Honour Mr. Fielding Clarke, The Daily News says that on the 25th ultimo, A widower takes a second wife, but his ma- of Hongkong, in succession to His Honour Mr. concerned in the forgery of Hongkong and sold cheaper than Chinese Teas—so well, too, specially requested for Mr. Hannen's despatch, ander his jurisdiction, and requested that, when third day after their marriage she left home struction of telegraph lines in the provinces trimonial bliss was of short duration, as the Justice Russell, C.M.G., promoted.

At Fatshan another raid was made; upon a 12 lots offered for sale realised the sum of \$1.850. Taotai. The first man is known as an old forger

27th March.

that while to lighten taxation would be of certain chasers. Accordingly, the important point to into consideration, they will be found greater in house and first stabbed Liang's mother, then his from Manila, was also broken into, and a gladand immediate disadvantage-to revenue, to do attend to is flavour; growers must take care the later case. In Hainan sixty efficials died of wife, and next a servant girl. Thomas Lings, who stone bag containing several small articles carse would be, at best, of but uncertain advantage of their plants and keep them in good con-malaria during the progress of the work. The was in bed, heard shricks, and running out to the ried away. to trade. In the case of the Indian competition, dition; and those who conduct the various pro- line to Yunnan was carried through mountains rescue arrived too late, as the man had already for example, Indian Tea can be sold in England, cesses which fit the leaf for use, must exercise and wildernesses, uninhabited and most unhealthy escaped. The wife has succumbed, while the 29th ultimo, at the Headquarters, Major Geand at a prolit, for about 6d. a pound, whereas the utmost care at every step to ensure that the from missins. There were dangers from wild mother and servint girl are still in a critical state. need Gordon, the Acting Laptain Superintend-Chinese Tes cannot even be sold at a profit for Tea will keep and that its flavour will not be beasts and from robber gangs. Regions were lost. The "hill tax" apart—which ought to be traversed where it was difficult to protect the Namhai district a violent wind blew and the Singh, with a good conduct medal of the 3rd

Hankow Commissioner suggests that a certain ment in every step and every process in growing may be finally approved.—Sanctioned by Rescript. by in the streets.

wherethey came to to find thomselves robbed. A murse carrying a baby leaves the child on the ground and kidnaps a servant girl. The of news from the capital, most of which refer to baby kicked up a regular rumpus, but as luck the festivities that came off at Peking on the would have it, his parents passed by and took

A grand illumination took place in the city, over the property of a syndicate, all the shares and is a proof of the rejoicing of the people for having been privately subscribed for. The capital the accession of the young Emporor to the consists of \$625,000, divided into 12,500 shares

28th March. A memorial heads the issue of to-day from Prince Ch'un, the Emperor's father, to the Emlanterns were suspended in large numbers on both | press Dowager thanking her for the choice of his sides, which at night illuminated the street a jour. son to become Emperor and requesting that no A decree issued from the Throne remitted all honours should be conferred upon him. Th on Tea addressed to the Tsung-li Yamen by Sir consure and punishment to which officials were memorial appears to be of old date, but it has seen the light consequent upon a momorial A grand review of troops will take place on which is also given in to-day's paper, presented by found some means of assisting the China trade the parade ground outside the city walls, at | Wu Ta-cheng suggesting to the Throne that high honours should be bestowed upon Prince Chan. In compliance with instructions from the Commissioner of Justice the Wei-yuan Li made a raid upon gamblers in Fatshan and succeeded

chair through some gorges not far from Lion-In paragraph 2 it is stated that "Chinese any money whatever to the Treasury in Peking, the coolies off their legs and deposited the chair with a crash several yards off.

While a passenger was being carried in

were at work bewaiting his loss the departed of all concorned. A servant girl was being kidnapped by four had

The fishermen all round Macao have had large A hen-pecked husband tries to introduce

made it so hot for both of them that the woman

### HONGKONG.

Bill was read a second time and left in comamount of componsation provided. \$180,000, not Awa then went to a min who had acted wharf owners had no legal right to any com. | taken before the Magistrate, and after athorough pensation, they were morely tonants on suffer. investigation the charge against the defendant ance, and taking this into consideration he was dismissed, while Chan Awa was defered to thought they had been most liberally dealt with; pay a fine of \$50 or to go to prison for six Hon. C. P. Chater statul that the wharf-owners | mouths for giving false evidence, a rather light would get almost the full amount they had sen ence, considering the nature of the charge claimed as compensation, and with this amount brought against an innocont man. and a very little more added they would be able in boild new wharves in deeper water and would be in a far better position than they were at presant. The Building Ordinance was considered in Committee. During the past week burglaries have been almost of nightly occurrence. On the 26th March, two occurred at the Hongkong Hotel, the burglars entering in one case the rooms occupied by Miss Amy Sherwin. stealing several articles of jewellery and some money. A new Company, the West Point into foreign appliances. The duty therefore do Building Company, Limited, has just been formed; all the shares have been subscribed for privately. The Sanitary Board met on the 27th inst. The Amy Sherwin Company has been playing to crowded bouses at the Theatre Royal. Fielding Clarke, the new Puisne Judge, took his seat in the Summary Court on the 29th March. Major General Gordon, Acting Captain Superstyle. The successful competitor's were awarded intendent of Police, on the 29th March presented Sikh Constable No. 652, Shere Singh, with a good condact medal of the third class for bravery displayed in the capture of one of a party of armed burglass at Wanchai on the 29th January: the medal carries with it the sum of \$5 chow assumed office, a large number of the per month. The Handicap Challenge Cup, presented by the Hongkong Rifle Association, was together in the concourse. The Chib-chew shot for on the 30th March and won by Lieut. Carlyle, R.A. A shooting match between the bugkong Volunteers and the Garrison shooting club took place on the 30th March. the Garrison Club winning by 14 points.

> and the Misses Cameron, left here en route for Europe by the City of Rio de Janeir, on the was presented with an address. Major General Bevan Edwards R. E. General Campron's succossor; arrived here on the 1st April by the It is notified in Saturday's Gazette that Ilis Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr.

Solicitor during the absence of Mr. Alfred Bulmer Johnson.

March, arrived here on the 29th alt. She has workmen to place them in position. been ordered to proceed to Timor to relieve the

City of Rio de Janeiro, which left here on Sun- has received notice from Nanking that some of A complaint was lodged by a father-in-law day morning for San Francisco, was Colonel R. the members of his Legation, who were with the

Saturday's Gazette contains the notification of venience is caused to thom as well as to merchants

B.A., to be Paisne Judge of the Supreme Court at the Shanglai Mixed Court two of the men

Yaumation the 28th ult. was not very large, but the but the sentences will have to be referred to the save life and cargo, the captain had to beach her. Having discharged cargo and effected temporary repairs, she came on to this port, where she will, we understand, go into dock.

Excellency made use of a phrase, which was presumably a slip, but which taken verbatim reads rather peculiarly. Speaking on a certain point, he remarked:- "I must say, as a matter of fact, every hon. member, with the exception of

to break open the boxes, out through a leather

Two women carrying two large bundles are of promotion as well. The burglar was sentenced accosted by had characters, who drug them and to ten year's imprisonment with hard labour at carry off the bundles, leaving the women in a the last Criminal Sessions, the Chief Justice at state of lathargy. Great was their anguish the same time highly commending the constable, This recognition of the constable's rivices was well merited and will doubtless encourage his comrades in the performance of their duties. The West Point Building Company, Limited

whose shares have recently been quoted on the

stock market, is a new company formed to take

of \$50 each, of which \$40 is paid up. Tho property is the valuable block on the eastern, side of the Sailors' Home, in front of which the Government is now reclaiming a site for the purpose of building thereon the New Western Market, and confains about 102,000 square foots The Godowns on it are at present let to the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company for \$3,00 t per month, and their louse will expire in June, 1890: The purchase money is \$500,000, being the actual price at which the property was purchased two, years ago from the Wharf Comeany, and the \$125,0 0; balance of the capital, it is proposed to devot to the development of the property. Arrangements have been made with the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company for the management of the Company's business at a renumeration of 5 per cant, on the not returns, and there will therefore be no office expenses. The Hon. J. Bell-Irving, Hon. C. P. Chafer, and Mr. J. S. Moses form the Board of directors. There was a turning of the tables at the Police Court on the 20th ultimo, in a charge of murder, which has been in the course of investi-I gation for over a week now. About the middle of last month a coolic, who was employed in some huilding works at the Peak, died. The contracfor duly reported the death, the body was examined and found to be without any marks or bruises which would loud to the supposition to let go their prize revenged themselves by giv- that death was the result of violence, and the burial took place. About a work afterwards, the news of his death come to the knowledge of some of his clausmen, and one of these, by name Chan Awa, determined to try and make a little money over the matter. He therefore went to the contractor and said he had heard that his uncle had been beaten to douth, but that he was ready to sprare the matter. The contractor refused to give him The Legislative Council met on the 29th anything, and Chan Awa thoseupon charged March; the Arms Bill and the Vaccination Bill him with murder. The grounds for the charge were read a first time; the Praya Reclamation were not considered sufficient to warrant the Inspector, before whom it was male, entermittoe; Hon. P. Ryrie objected that the wharf. ing it on the list, and the contractor was owners would be injured by the Ordinance, the discharged. Nothing daunted, however, Chan being sufficient, especially as the claims of the as a sort of overseor of the decreased, and Government for their wharves were to be satis. failing to get any money from him, charged him fied first; His Excellency pointed out that the with the murder of his relative. The case was

FOOCHOW It is a noteworthy fact that in porcelling out the loaves and fishes of the a imi ideation, in honour of the Imperial wedding, the present Vicerov of this province was completely left in the cold, and forms the only exception, and a very striking on too, where no honour has been enferred.

The new Tartar General, Hst. Yman, has assumed the duties of his office. We understand that the newly arrived official holds the honorary rank of Marquis, and is the son of the High formissioner Kweiliang, who negociated the English, French, and American Treaties

At about 8 p.m. on the 17th Murch, fice was manifested in the neighbourhood of the West Gate, within the City walls. It was immediatey noticed in the foreign settlement, but not so distinctly as to be able to locate with any dogree of accuracy, the scene of the conflagration, so much so that fears were at one time outertained for the safety of the missionaries. balleving the fire to be somewhere now the Stone Pagoda. As it always happons in this benighted land, the fire was allowed to burn itself out, not, however, before onveloping in its flames more than a couple of hundred houses. Lie vicinity of the South Gate is a locality where all the officials out of harness are went to fix their residence for the time being, and they have we are told, suffered mostly by the fire firm t. An expectant Magistrat; has, tis said, been relieve ed of his better-half and two offspring, but how the calamity happened we did not succeed in finding out, and hope the trie will turn up soon. to the delight of their load and must or - Ed.

# SHANGHAL.

The Shen-pao states that the Directors tenteral Alfred Parker Stokes to be Acting Crown of the Yellow River, Wu Tacheng, has sent to the Foochow Arsenal for lifty iron piles which howishes to use in strong thening the ambank-The Portuguese guaboat Tejo, Captain ment at the breach. The Director of the Arsenal Caminha, from Chinking and Shanghai 25th has promised to send twenty piles with skilled The Shen-pao referring to the quicksands and Rio Lima, which is under orders to proceed to shifting banks that interfere so much with navigation between Hankow and Teliang, men-We leave that at the approaching meeting of | tions that a steamer which anchored off a place The continuation is given in to-day's issue the shareholders in the Chartered Bank of India, called Kingchow recently lest her anchor

Sii Ch'eng-tsa, formerly Chinese Minister to persons are also implicated in these charges; and Among the passengers by the P. M. steamer | that Li, the present | hinese Minister at Tokyo. has this year been very shallow, sometimes only Company, Limited. This stop and the content- waiting at Taku for a chance of getting up to In the Namhai district in the Tafu village the plated addition to the capital of the Company | Tientsin. Great numbers of candidates for the

Shanghai Bank ten tael notes were convicted.

from Taka to Tientsin by rail; but much incon-

PEKING.

The Peking correspondent of the N. C. Daily News writes :- The native Christians of the London Mission here presented scrolls, etc., to Dr. Edkins the other day in view of his depar- -ture from Peking. The March meeting of the Missionary Association took place the other day. when a prepared address signed by the entire missionary community was read and handed to Dr. Edkins. Speeches were afterwards delivered by Drs. Blodget, Martin, and Dudgeon and Messrs. Wherry, Meech, Lowry, and Pilcher. All the speakers indulged in a review of the past and of their acquaintance with Dr. Edkins. The departure of Dr. Edkins was much regret tod -his missionary zeal and success, his scholarship, his friendliness and other traits of character were touched upon by the various speakers. Dr. Edkins told of his early missionary career and his life in Shanghai and his visits to the Rebels. & very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. The removal of Dr. Edkins takes away the oldest missionary here, the first to labour at Peking. The first missionaries here were drafted from Shangbai, Tiontsin, Ningpo, and Amby; the first direct import to the capital was 1.r. Edkins' colleague, who was for over a score of years in charge of the Peking Hospital. Dr. and Mrs.

### Edkins left for Shanghai on the 14th March. PORT ARTHUR.

I am therefore of opinion it is useless to touch reduction of ordinary Likin and Export Duty; the above reasons, on which he enlarges at great authorities are severely criticized for their in on the night of the 29th January last. The 1886 M. They energy the above reasons, on which he enlarges at great authorities are severely criticized for their in on the night of the 29th January last. The either Export Duty or ordinary Likin. But the but there is unquestionably room for improve- length, the Vicercy behaviour towards passers medal carries with it the sum of \$5 per month, and Vicercy Li Hung-chang for a dock at Port we understand that the constable bassocured estep Arthur, to be completed within three years, at

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

### NEWCHWANG.

The Newchwang correspondent of the N. C Daily News, writing on the 9th March, says .--" For several days the weather has been unusually mild, and the ice began to look as if it might break at any moment. Yesterday and to day the wind has been from the north, and is blowing with tremendous force. There is an attempt at snow, but it is completely overawed by the dust which from its peculiar colour must have come all the way from the plains of Mongolia. . The thermometer (Fahr.) from 32deg. minimum yesterday, dropped to 13deg. this a.m. No TENNIS COURT. doubt the river will be open in a few days, but it is not an advantage to have the ice broken up too soon, as it will be floating up and down all the longer; and it will be almost useless for vessels to cuter. for there are no cargoboats for landing or shipping cargo. Several missionaries TO. 12, CAINE ROAD have returned from distributing the funds of the Relief Committee and report that the distress has not been exaggerated. Much good has been done, and thousands of natives who otherwise must have died of starvation are being kept alive, but unfortunately the matter does not end with winter and there are many points to consider in regard to helping the Chinese. What are TO. 3. MORRISON HILL. they to do? They have no land for houses to speak of, no seed for the future harvest. The animals that helped to till the ground are dead from starvation, or have been killed for human food. Where is the labour to come from to plough and manure the fields? A grand problem for the Calestial Government! Easily solved! Build a railway from Moukden to the Yangtsze or to Peking or Kirin, anywhere, but build a railway. It will pay, and meanwhile keep thousands alive, and enrich China!"

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STEAMERS EXPECTED. The Union Line steamer Lancelot left Sings pore on the 27th March, and is due here on the The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Lacries, from

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ord inst., at 2.30 P.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.-Per Tcheran, to-morrow, the 4th just., at 11.30 A.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Vancouver, B.C .- Per Abyssinia, to-morrow, the 4th inst. at 11.30 A.M. For Amoy and Manila-Per Nanzing, to morrow, the 4th inst. at 2.30 P.M. For Singapore.—Per Frigga, on Monday

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patterns ceases. 650,000 | 11.00 A M .- Mail closes. LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 400,000 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 11.30 A.M. RISKS accepted at CURRENT RATES OF after which hour they may be sent on board this the same late fee.

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THE PRAYA RECLAMATION TORDINANCE.

of the water frontage are unanimous in their former health and activity, approval of the measure, as was shown at the last meeting of the marine lot-holders; when the terms of the Government were THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND unanimously accepted. The only defects in the Bill as originally drafted had been pointed out in the Press and amended before the Bill was read a first time, and on Friday at the Tsung-li Yamen on the 7th March by the various clauses were passed without alteration of any kind. This speaks worthy occurrence in the annals of foreign volumes for the ability and fairness with intercourse with China, The after dinner which the gigantic scheme of reclamation has speech of Prince Carna not only showed the been worked out in detail. If there had been any single lot-holder whose interests were honour to the Foreign Representatives, but likely to be prejudicially affected, or had any also clearly set forth, we take it, thounderlying appreciable pertion of the community ob-

ated to the scheme as opposed to public

from this being the case it may practically.

be said that not as single word

ie Ordinance, while conferring a great ! public boon on the colony and largely benefitng the general body of marine let holders. might not impose hardable in particular cases, must have been almost entirely dissipated by the declarations made by the Goveryor. There is one point, however, on garded as altogether satisfactory. We refer to be amount of componention to be paid to private wharf owners. These persons are in he unfortunate position of being mere tenants at will of the Government, and have no legal claim to compensation at all. Their case is therefore not specifically provided for in the Ordinance, but has been mentioned in connection with the agreement to be entered into between the Government and the marine ot-holders for the carrying out of scheme. Although the owners of wharve rave no legal claim, they have an equitable dain for compensation which does not admit of dispute. This claim has been recognised principle, but, as we gather, it is intended o satisfy it only to part. The owners are to receive compensation to nearly the full extent f the loss they will be nut to by the removal f their wharves, but not quite. The marsin which they will bave to make good out their own pockets is undetermined, and may be greater or may be less. A certain um is to be provided by the marine solders, out of which the Government irst be componsated for the removal of i

whatves, and the owners of private whatves ten to divide between the mubives whatever calance may be left. This balance may turn out to be smaller than is expected, and it conceded that in any case there will be some ess. But if compensation is to be given at t, we fail to see how it can logically made to ston short of the full extent of the lamage sustained. It is not given as a haritable allowance, but in recognition of he equity of the clarm, and the equity is as great in respect of the whole as of a postion if it. The wharf owners ought, in fact, to e praced as hearly as possible in the same position after the completion of the scheme s they are in at present. Boing more enunts at will they cannot claim compenextion for disturbance, as it is torined bt neither ought they to be but to any letual loss, especially seeing that the cheme whose execution necessitates the removed of the whirves is expected for prove a dighly remunerative obe to other parties. Phe wharf owners are not entitled to share n the pecuniary profit, nor do they claim o do so, but to make them remove their resent wharves and creet new ones imrially at their own expense is obviously unair. On this point we think, therefore, the greement demards amondment, and that he Government ought to see that full compensation for the actual cost of removal s said to the wharf owners. The removal I the wharves will in any case place the whers in a more unfavourable position connicitly than they now occupy, incomuch s the new structures will presumably come under the recently mublished regulation imlosing Crown reut on all wharves to be

THE DEPARTURE OF GENERAL

rected hereafter:

CAMERON. Hougkong took place on Saturday after- believes that the unity among the M he progress of the work of foreifying the Co- any decency refuse to follow his example. my, and it is due to no omission or fault on That the Peking Government will endeavour is part that the batteries are not yet fully to defer the ceremony to the latest possible ad effectively armed. General Cameron has moment, and rob it of any significance or imlso twice administered the Government of portance we can well conceive, but why the his Colony; on one occasion, in 1887, after Diplomatic Body should remain passive unhe departure of Sir George Bowen, for til it shall please the Taung-li Yamen to early six months, during which period he move in the matter is beyond our comprehenave the same closu attention and exhibited slop. Nor are we disposed to believe, the he same conscientions ness in the per- Chinese Times not withstanding, that the crimence of the work that have always Chinese Government have any intention of harked the discharge of his military duties, taking the initiative themselves in the work In filled the post of Acting Governor with of levelling the barriers of stiquette which ulet dignity, and with astisfaction to the the customs of twenty centuries and the sublic, while he at the same time earned traditions of many dynasties have built up he respect and favour of the civil efficials, around the Dragon Throne. lis Excellency has invariably displayed a een interest in the progress and welfare of he Colony, which, when opportunity served, he has sought personally to promote, doing

is best to bring about an agreement for the

stension of the Prays, eastward that the

he reaches home. There is so much robust and has been heard pretty loudly of late years, lot 795, There was a minute by Mr. Ede them if they would allow the Board to submit that may be construct too strictly, but for memmaily vigour remaining in General Came. but what is meant is really the decline of only to the effect that the owner should be recommendations to them on the subject of a RON, united to such an ardent love of work, one branch of the trade, namely, that with called upon to remove the huts crected site for an epidemic hospital-The Praya Reclamation Ordinance may now that it is most probable he will receive Great Britain. 20/1886 the total export of be considered as virtually disposed of. At further active employment. At all events the leaf from Ching was larger than it had the last meeting of the Logislative Council we trust that his energies will not be allowall the debatable clauses were passed un- ed to rust, for he is cortainly still capable of opposed, and without a single petition have doing much good service. Memtime we feel ing been presented against the Bill pither by sure we only echo the feeling of the commupersons interested as property owners or by nity generally in wishing the gallant officer any section of the ratepayers. The owners bon voyage and a speedy renewal of his yet been published, it is known that they

THE FOREIGN MINISTERS. The banquet given to the Foreign Ministers order of the Empress Downger is a notedesire of the Chinese Government to do was to convey to the Treaty Powers in unpetitions against the Bill would mistakeable language the fact that though certainly have been presented, but no far the reins of power have passed from the discreet hands of the Empress Dowager, there will be no break in the continuity of the foreign policy of China. After alluding to the satisfactory relations existing between ing that might be enterinined as to whether China and foreign countries, and the flourish ing growth of trade between them, the Prince went on to sav :- "This happy state of things is attributable to the gracious merits and beneficent efforts of Her Majesty the Empress Downger during the past thirty years, and the policy thus laid down will be sedulously followed by my August Sovereign in reverent obedience to the teachings of Her Majesty, thereby securing in our relations with foreign countries the blessings of continued prosperity and peace China tea is placed in a position to meet its The banquet that we are celebrating to-day competitors on more equal terms than is the is a token of the friendly relations that have

existed between us for many years past, and is an augury of the perpetual maintenance of these friendly relations in the days to come." Foreigners generally will cordially echo these sentiments, though they will not attach too much importance to them, no will they perhaps quito view them in the ight that some sanguine persons may be disposed to regard them. While doubtless sincere expression of the desire of the Chinese Government to preserve friendly relations with Western countries, the speech of Prince CHING, thy more than the mere circumstant of the banquet, cannot be taken to mark new ork or indicate a fresh departure in the history of foreign intercourse with the Centra

Our Tientsin contemporary seems incline to attach a significance to the entertainment of the Foreign Ministers which it is difficult for us to concede, and Ht waxes rather in dignant with the N. C. Daily News for crediting a report in a Shanghai native paper that the dinner was a bone thrown to then in lieu of the audience they had requested Possibly there was no connection between the two things; the banquet may have been ordered before the audience was asked for but were it otherwise the compliment paid to Foreign Ministers instead of the concession they requested would not be inconsistent with ment in the past. We cannot help thinking the Chinese Times takes a rather trustful view of the incident, when it says :-"This gracious and entirely spontaneous act of the Empress on retiring from the conduct of affairs is of happy augury for the new reign, and is an important step towards tho rapprochment between the Court and tho representatives of Foreign Powers which is the principal desideratum of diplomatic life in Poking. The barriers which separate the etiquette of the Chinese Court from that of all others are being worn away by degrees. and will in time disappear altogether. whether hy slow erosion or sudden collapse. The just two years have afforded several

distinct indications of the process, and what is perhaps the most encouraging symptom. is that it is the Court party proper, that is the Manchus, who have shown themselves most telernut of foreigners and the most disposed to treat them with the respect due to their neers." We are glad to hear this. on such high authority, but should be better pleased to know that this easement in the diplomatic intercourse had enabled Foreign Ministers to procure a more facile settlement of questions which seem to make no real progress. A change seems to have come over our Tientain contemporary. How far it is mapired from any source:we canpot proteind to say, but it certainly speaks of the Audience question with bated breath. to sars :- "In spite of occasional asser-One more of those partings so common in tions to the contrary; no one serious! our, when the community hade farewell to maters on this question is complete. And His Excellency Lieut.-General CAMBRON, although the more experienced diplomatists E.B. The residents marked their sense of may be trusted to save themselves and their es in the gallant General's departure by the respective countries from any indignity resentation of an address expressive of their there are himays the inexperienced to be ersonal esteem and goodwill and their appre- reckoned with, and this is distinctly a case

intion of the services he has rendered to the when fools niny rush in where angels fear Colony. The compliment was not an empty to tread. A rash movement on the part of ne; it was well merited, for in two capa- any of the Ministers would compromise all. ities: the ex-Commander of the Military but the temptation to rashness is strong in forces has shown his ability as an adminis- the case of those who perhaps think that in rator and his devotion to duty. General any case their diplomatic future is uncertain. CAMERON is not a fossil soldier; while made The Audience question will take care of it-I stern stuff and ready for the fray if need | self, if left alone, for every hing points to e, "he is a firm believer in the science of the conclusion that if the foreigners remain var, and of the necessity of adopting all the passive the Chinese themselves will make improvements in military tactics, overtures for a settlement of it which will Sir Robert Harr says, "have taken place nothing definite settled at present. Inder his command there has been much give to the foreigners the whole advantage ctivity in the Garrison, and he has effectu- in the negotiation for terms." What is meant Hy succeeded in agousing civilian interest by this mysterious hint? A precedent aln the exercises and shan fights in which ready exists for the Audience; it was accordis mentinge from time to time-and that ed grudgingly it is true, but His Majesty retty frequently - beenengaged. He hasalso TUNG- CHI did receive the Foreign Reiven his cornest and constant attention to presentatives, and his successor cannot with

THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL ON THE CHINA TEA TRADE:

"Ten, 1888," is the title of the latest of the J. D. Humphroys, Mr. N. J. Ede, Mr. H. Military and Naval yards and premises, and very valuable Special Series Reports issued McCallum, Scoretary. lso opening up sites for building purposes from the Press of the Imperial Maritime which bitherto had beer closed by restrictions | Customs at Shanghai. It contains reports mposed by the War Department. The un- from the various ports on the past and prefortunate accident which recently placed him, sent position of the China lea trade, reports tors de comfat has t cen a subject of general fin which the subject is approached from alegret, and it is cordially hoped that he may most every conceivable point of view. The

ever been hefore the figures given in the Customs Returns being 2,217,295 piculs. During ten years it had almost deubled. In 1887, however, there was a falling off, and although the figures for last year have not will show a further serious decline, though probably not so large as to bring the quantity below what it was ten years ago. In the principal market, however, that of Great Britain, China tea is being rapidly displaced by the Indian product, and, not- board as to the distance of the manufactories withstanding Sir Robert Harr's opinion from the nearest regular Chinese and European to the contrary, the probability of expansion the nuisance. With regard to prievance B., the there seems to be no reason why it should not to the attention of Indian and Coylon planters has been devoted almost exclusively to the English market, but, having conquered that, they are now turning their attention in other directions, and endeavouring to push their ware whorever there is a tea drinking population to he found. The trade has reached that stage at which it is felt the decline value has gone as far as is compatible with the relention of a profit by the grower and manufacturer, and in order to allow of further increase in production without reduction in price, the Indian and Ceylon planters are sending out what have been called " tea missionaries" to open up new markets. What has taken place in England, will, in all probability, he repeated elsewhere, unless

Two methods bate been suggested to sta the downward course of China tea. ' One the improvement of cultivation and manufacture: the other, relief from export duties. The importance of the former is self-evident and need not at present be further, referred

to. The danger of handicapping a product with heavy export duties we should have thought was equally self-evident, but from the report of the Inspector-General to the Taung-li Yamen we find we are mistaken. Sir ROBERT HART SHYS :- " While to lighton taxation would be of certain and immediate disadvantage to revenue, to do so would be at best of but uncertain advantage to trade. In the case of the Indian competition, for example, Indian tea can lie sold in England, and at a profit, for about 6d. a pound, whereas China tea cannot even be sold at a profit for 9d., therefore, supposing the tax on Chiness ten, viz., about 2d. a pound, entirely too careful in interfering with any trade not abolished, Indian tea would still undersell ld. a pound. I am therefore of opinion that it is useless to touch either export duty or lekin." If penned by a native born mandarin this passage might be dismissed with a smile at its peculiarly Chinese reasoning : coming from Sir ROBERT HART, clear-headed and enlightened, it cannot fail to strike the reader with actourhment. Al- was carried manimously.

though Indian tea has shot shead China leaf in the English market China still supplies more than a third of the consumption. Granting that it is bought for its quality, not for price; as would seem to danger of streams becoming polluled thereby, be the Inspector-General's view, it stands to be prohibited. reason that if it could be laid down 2d. per pound cheaper consumers whose means compel them to consider price, but who use a medium quality tea, would, able to indulge in the Chinese instead the Indian article. But a correspondent

our Shanghai morning contemporary flatly contradicts the statement that China toa cannot be sold at a profit for 9d. a pound. The commonest kind of China tea, he says. costs only about 511. a pound haid down in England, and ordinary sound common about 6d,-2d, to 21d, of which, or say 40 cent., consists of tates. However this may be, it is clear that no country can place an export duty on its products and expect them to hold their own against similar products from other countries experted duty free, To relieve China ten of the duty it at present pays would not enable it to drive Indian toa. out of the market, but it would unquestionably anable it to better hold its own, and perhaps even share in sup-

plying the increase in consumption. The familiar saving that first thoughts are best is exemplified in Sir Kongar Hapr's renorts on this subject. In a despatch to the Tsung-li Yamen dated Sorb July, 1887, he wrote: -" To a Government, its people's industries must be of a higher importance thanrevenue; and I would therefore advise that taxes be remitted in order that industries may be preserved: think for the people and forego révenuel . . . Lu general terms, export duties ought to be light, in order that the surplus production of a people may go for sale elsewhere, and latterly countries have followed this principle, and their people's wealth increases accordingly." This is a lesson China has to learn, and it is with regret well find the Inspector-General now appearing as the exponent of a contrary dectrine. Other specious explanations may be advanced, but the 2d. export duty on China tea has undoubtedly been one of the chief factors in bringing about the growth in the consumption of Indian tea, "Changes," route is not only that ton goes to Russia one thing. the decline is due also to an actual falling off

imposing a tax on native opium.

her product with a heavy export duty. To

The Sanitary Board met on the 27th ult. There were present :- Dr. Ayres, Prosident; Major-General Gordon, Vice-President; Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Acting Registrar-General; Mr. Wong Shing, Dr. Cantlie, Mr. The CHAIRMAN said the report made by the

Banitary Acting Superintendent, on the grievances A. B. C. D. mentioned in the report of They did not want to send in suggestions and the Fever Commission, had been circulated then have the Government patting them on the amendments they wish to propose before this rent all this time. It seems to me a most among the members, and the consideration of head and telling them their suggestions were stage. It is their function to consider excepting clause. Persons who are interested in these grievances was the first business. On grievance A., which refers to the inully recover the use of his injured limb before decline of the China ten frade is a cry which sanitary state of the buildings on inland

proper concreted open drains laid down. The was carried, constant sonkage of s-wage into the soil would certainly become a source of disease. The cow and gontsheds could not be object onable if kopt clean and if the drainings was good With regard to the say manufactories, with all respect to the Sanitary Superintendent's dissertation on the legal bearing of the matter and his opinions as to the rights of natives, Mr. Ede thought that the Board should interfere wherever the manufacture was injuried to the public health. If the Board had not that power then they should apply to Government for it. He thought the Sanitary Superintendent should inform the

dwelling houses and the extent and character of in other directions sufficient to make up for drying of sugar bags. Mr. Ede added this loss does not seem very great. The a minute to the effect that the drying Inspector-General says "so many places of sugar bags should be prohibited within want Chinese tea that no matter-what quan- cortain distances of regular dwelling houses. tity is produced there is but little fear of its. With regard to grievance O, the use of liquid not finding a market." But Indian teabay- animal manure, Mr. Edwadded a minute that the ing reaten Chinese in the English market, District Inspector should have orders to enter the lot at any time, and that persons be prohibited from keeping a stock of this manure. repeat the process in other markets. Hither. With regard to D., the burning of rubbish at Lapsapwan and the practice of allowing it to remain at the depot in Poktulum Road, Mr. Ede

said he believed this grievance no longer existed. There was a minute to the report, added by Dr. Cantlie, expressing a hope that some evidence bearing on complaints A. B. C. D. should be obtained before the holding of the meeting. There was also a minute on the report from Mr. Francis asking that the Sanitary Superintendent be requested to lay before the Board

a detailed account, not of opinions on, but of facts regarding these complaints. The PRESIDENT said with regard to the state of inland lot 795 he thought the matter should be referred to the Government

Dr. CANTLIE asked if the owner of the lot had complied with the terms of the crown lease. The P ESIDENT said he had not.

Dr. Cantille angrested that the matter be referred to the Government, who should call upon the owner of the left to put; it in proper order. Mr. Eng thought the mitter should not be simply sent to the Government. The Government had asked the members of the Board for

commendations, mentioned inhis minute attached to the report, be sent to the Government with the request that they be carried out. Mr. EDE seconded

Carried. With regard to the second grievance, the pannfacture of soy, a long discussion ensued as to whether this could be considered as a nuisance. The PRESIDENT said that this could not be ont down as a puisance because injurious to health, although it produced a most disagreeable smell. In some stairs of the process, a person who was unaccustomed to it, gatting the benefit of the small would, in nine cases out of ton, empty

Dr. CANTLIE said that under the Ordinance any trade was deemed a muisance which was noisome, noxions or unicalthy." Mr. Huarresvs said the Board could

actually detrimental to health. Dr. CANTLIE proposed that the following That the Sanitary Board consider the complaint as to the manufacture of soy, a rea

The PRESIDENT seconded, and the motion With regard to the drying of sugar bags, Mir consideration of the Government:-The Board the immediate vicinity of houses where there

Dr. CANTLIE seconded.

With regard to the use of liquid animal manure it was agreed that any discussion be held over until the draft Ordinance now in preparation be before the Board for consideration. With regard to grierance Do the burning of

rubbish at Lapsapwan, the President said this had never been removed. Mr. HUMPHREYS asked if there were any rubbish still remaining at Lapsapwan. The PRESIDENT baving consulted Mr. Crow.

who was present, said there was still a little re-Mr. Huminners sigl it should be at once destroyed. He remembered when the rubbial was often thrown into the backour instead of was the case Kowloon was a perthole for fever.

being taken ontside its limits, that it used to be washed up on the Kowloon shore, and while that Dr. Cantain said be thought that these questions with regard to the drying of angar bags and the manufacture of soy should be settled once and for all, and therefore he thought that the subject should be brought up again for discussion, say, in a month Mr. HUMPHREYS said he was of opinion that

the less we interfered with the trades of the colony, which were not actually injurious to health, the better it would be for the colony and everyone in it. Mr. EDE proposed that when the recommenda-

the report of the Acting Sanitary Superintend out be sout with it. Dr. CANTLE speended and the motion was Dr. Canathe in accordance with notice given moved that a letter be addressed to the Govern-

ment containing the recommendations of the Board on the subject of an epidemic hospital and making proposals as to the site of the building. The first que tion be would ask the president was whether any steps had been taken regarding the site of an epidemic hospital. The PRESIDENT said he knew nothing de-

finite of the matter. The Surveyor-General. Dr. Atkinson, the canitary Surveyor, and he himself had prospected a site. That was in Sandy Bay beneath Bisnee Villa. The place was a suitable one, he thought, but there were question, as to approaches, &c., to be discussed. Dr. CANTLIE said he supposed then there was

in the trade; for instance the Russians used definite about it. This site was a very good to buy in London and now buy in Hankow, one, but there were other questions to be conand the result of the opening up of a sea sidered. It was a very long distance away for

direct, instead of through London, but Dr. CANTESE said the site might be a very good Russian buyers competing for teas have one but he trusted that they should have something raised prices at Hankow, and, disappearing | definite before them as to whether they were to from competition, have brought down prices have an apidemic hospital or not. It seemed to in London." Allof which is no doubt true, but him that nature had made one spot in Hongkong -he did not know whather it was possible to get it now-as specially intended for the building in the consumption of China ten in Great Bri- of an epidemic hospital, and that was Morrison tain, where it is being rapidly replaced by Hill. Failing their being able to obtain this' Indian ten. It is inevitable that the same there was a spur of ground, covered now with process should be repeated in other parts of trees on the far side of the Passecourse, which the world if China persists in handicapping | would be suitable.

The PRESIDENT said that in a lecting any abolish the duty would involve a serious loss site they must have regard to the fact that it to the revenue, but Sir Robert Harr has should be easily accessible by land and sea-

pointed out how this could be made up by had a cemetary close to it for a very long time, enable the terdinance to be cited as " The Praya and he did not think it could be healthy. It was moreover one of the hottest places in the island. Dr. CANTLIE said be thought they should send a letter to the Government asking if they had any objection to receiving anggestions as Mr. Eng said he thought they might take, it

for granted that the Government would receive suggestions, and that they should forward them, without writing the letter proposed by Dr. Cantlie first. The PRESIDENT said they had not been asked

to forward suggestions, und he thought they had

better write first as suggested by Dr. 1 autlie

not wanted.

Mr. HUMPHREYS Becouded, and the motion

The Board then adjourned to the 10th April.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL A meeting of the Legislative Council was hel en the 29th ultimo. There were present:-

His Excellency THE GOVERNOR ST

WILLIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G. Hon. F. STEWART, LL.D., Colonial Secretary Hon. A. J. LEACH. Acting Atterney-General Hon. H. E. Wodehouse, C.M.G., Acting

Colonial Treasurer. Hon. N. G. METCHELL-INNES, Acting Rosistrar-General.

Hon. P. RYRIE. Hon, Wong Shing. Hon. C. P. CHATER.

Hon. J. BELL-IRVING. Hon. B. LAYTON Mr. A. SETH, Clerk of Councils.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.~ FINANCE. The COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table two financial minutes which were referred to the Finance Committee and also the report of the

Committee's last meeting. The vote of \$472, as

a personal allowance to Mr. Bruce Shepherd therein recommended was passed. REPORTS LAID ON THE TABLE the Report of the Headmaster of the Central School, the Report of the Inspector of Schools. has been the practice hitherto to ask questions served by this Ordinance—and Her Majesty's

Fire Brigade for last year, The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I have to which is to consolidate the law comprised at present in Ordinance 6 of 1887 and Ordinance 4 of 1889 and to amend the law by reintroducing a clause which was in the old Ordinance; repealed after-

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded. Bill read a first time.

arms contrary to the Ordinance.

THE VACCINATION BILL. The Acrine ATTORNEY GENERAL-I have to nove the first reading of this Bill, the object of which is to give effect to certain recommendations tary Board. The Bill while resonacting the old course is to address a letter to the Colonial wharves have no rights. They are simply perlaw, introduces amendments relating chiefly to registration, certificates of unfitness, and persons ! vaccinated by a public vaccinator.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded. Bill read a first time.

occasion has so fully dealt with it, that I propose

merely a verbal one, in the last clause of the Bill. The clause at present reads thus: - From the subject before coming into Council. authorized by the O dinance, the Governor shall provided from the public revenues. I propose sidence, or damage of or to the said embankment." The object of that amendment I think speaks amendment which will prevent the clause having the next is fouched. The hon, member as the

The Colonial Seckerary seconded. Hon. P. RYRIV—Before passing the second with regard to it. Although, as a whole, I am in favour of it. I wish to make this proviso, that all private interests shall be safeguarded and of their wharves and merely get, as is stated in the Ordinance: partial compensation, it will entail a very serious less on these companies. The benefit of the wharves to river stenuers is very great indeed, and the sum that is named n this Ordinance, \$180,000, to be divided among the Government and private where owners, will be totally inadequate. for the loss which the steamer companies will su-tain must be calculated by hundreds of thousands of dollars. This schome may be said to be for a public purpose as for as the widening of the Praise is concerned but it must not be lost sight of that it will bring very large profits to private fadividuals re what I would say in regard to any Bill massed by this Council is, that it should allow private individuals to benefit to the detriment of other private individuals. I am special should be commensated in every way for the loss

they austuin, and as the river traffic of this Colony is a very material part of its trade it should Bill My other objection is as to holders of sections. If they are to be thrown upon the Crown lot holders, no and of litigation will-follow. many instances I believe the holder of the Crown lotdoes not own the water front at all; the sub sectionists are the actual owners of the water frontage. Again, some of the lot holders say that their lots will be depreciated by this scheme. heir cases should cortainly be taken into consideration and liberally dealt with. Beeing that there is such a very large amount of profit to other lot holders I think it would be only proper that those grutlemen whose lots will be depreciated should be fully compensated. I believe here was a case at Penang not very long ago where compensation was claimed for lots being depreciated in a similar manner and that a very large sward was given. It may not happen that so large an award will be given in such cases here, but at all events I think they ought to be

His Excellency-So far as I can judge everything that has been suggested by way, of improvement, and I have not come to the delermination I have arrived at without having thought over the mutter to the very best of my ability. However, I shall not talk about this subject now, nahody having expressed any opinion against the Ordinance as a whole. I think the points the bon member has tonotied upon may be more conveniently dealt with as they come up when the Ordinance has passed the second reading, otherwise it would only lead to the duplication of discussion on them. The question is, shall the second reading of this Ordinance be passed?

Fecond reading passed The Council went into Committee on the The ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that a short litle be added and numbered clause I, to

Reclamation Ordinance, 1889." The amendment was carried. On the first clause, which states that the works are for the improvement of the colony. and for a "public purpose" within the meaning

of that term as contained in the Crown leases of lands in the colony-Hon: B. LAYTON said-Does this do away with the power of Crown lessees to dispute the views of the Government?

Dr. Cantlik then proposed that a letter bearings, and if they don't approve of its bear- joyed for years, are now to have them all taken Out of that \$180,000 the Government will be should be forwarded to the Government asking logs to bring forward an amendment. Of course away.

bers to come in hore and then at the last moment make an inquiry as to the effect of a certain thing, whom its effect might have been ascortrimed at an earlier stage, is inconvenient and irregular. Members have had an opportunity of satisfying themselves entirely on all those points in the many weeks that have clapsed since this Ordinance was published, and it is really taking up personsprincipally interested will agree to its carry time unnecessarily to put them at this stage in a way which is to say the least irregular and inconvenient, 'It so happens that this question may be very easily answered, and I don't object to answering it, only I would point out, for the

put the question at the wrong time: but-His EXCELLENCY-Oh, please don't apole gise; I am morely referring to this as a matter

sakeof preventing it in future, dhat it is irregular,

f procedure. Hon. B. LAYTON-I don't wish to introduce any amendment Personally I am very much in favour of the bill, but I have board others as they were before, you render the work imobject to it. I merely wished to make an in- possible. You may be stopped by injunction at quiry on this point.

answer the question, as the hon, member is not an injunction, and have it carried to the Privy prepared to make any amendment, rather than Council, and it would be impossible to go on. let a further postpenoment take place. I am You must clear the way. It is a matter quite sure if hon, members will refer to the pro- of general usage in all works for a great will find that it is quite an irregular thing to discharged and provide nompensation. These put a question at this stage. It implies that easements are provided for in the subject has not been thought over or that concerning compansation. No one can refer to the member has not made up his mind one way or any easement except the water frontage lotanother. It is quite possible by thinking over boklors. If they have not entered into an agree! the matter to determine one way or another.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, laid on the table pass Bill if in chambitee we do not ask quisand the Report of the Superintendent of the on points of this kind of some official, not neces-

sarily of the Governor. His EXCELLENCY-But not at this stare ? Hon, P-RYRIE-This is the last stage at

His EXCRITENCY-Exactly, but this bill has been published weeks ago, and it is exactly for the purpose of allowing members making up in connection with these easements and bring inwards, for the punishment of persons carrying fore. And if members come into the Council lay. I cannot conceive any practical use of at the end of that period still in doubt on the subject it renders useless that long publication. We might just as well discuss any point from hear what the Acting Attorney-General has to the first moment it is published. I must say as a matter of fact every, hon, member is inst as well able to make up his mind on this as the lagree with your Excellency's remarks. I under-Gosernor is. I mean any man of intelligence. Secretary and have legal opinion upon it so that he may have some definite ground for of these wharves, the Government can but an moving an amendment. What I object to is end to The owners have no ensoment in the people coming here in a haze as to whether they object or not. It is the invariable custom in the House of Commons for matabers to make up their mind and put their objections in the form of an amundment beforehand. Every member say whether he approves of a clause or not. He been so long before the public, the measure has may afterwards after his opinion in consequence of the arguments brought forward in favour of the original clause and withdraw his amendment, but he should in the view he then holds be ready when he cames into Council to move his amondment and will agree with me that to put acquestion like the from Acting Attorney-General has stated. I this without any americanent is inconvenient and causes, waste of time. Such a system is con-

sistent with having raid no attention at all to Hen. P. Rykie-I think Your Excellency mistaken. A very great deal of attention has been paid to it. It has always been the way in this Conneil for such questions to be put and they are | boat Company or any other Company having usually replied to by the Attorney-General. His Excentioney-That may be so, but the clamation Scheme is to be carried out in seconly proper way is for the member to move an | tions and one section must be finished before Than the Attorney-General or whoever understands the subject gets up and shows that this reading of this Bill. I wish to say a word or two offeet will not be produced. That is the only this with recard to the future rather than to here: With regard to what the hon, member more clad to have furnished it before, because this view might have been taken three or tour

His EXCELLENCY-Pray, no analogy is needs sary pspecially as the oldest member of the Conneil says it has been vary common here dsouhere, and I sneak with a large amount of knowledge, having atlended many debates in the l

from fighting the case? he question is this -can the Government, having declared these works for a public nurpose. paima gas lands? Certainly not, but they can

resume any lands which are for the purpose of this Ordinance. Hon. P. RYRIE. I fail to see the object

agree with the hon, member I presume there is some object in the clause, however, as the Ordinance has been drafted at home and approved think it is my duty to point out that it is ina-

approved at home before they are submitted to perhaps aware that the Secretary of the Com-

cases that the Bill should be approved at home know all about the matter, but still when I see first, because had this Billafter agitating the this Ordinance destroying all our privil ges and colony for some time been passed and sent home | rights, it is my duty to speak about it. If we are and disallowed there, the result would be to have our wharves just the same when the remore unfortunate than if it was the other way, clamation is finished I have no objection to make. nothing the hon, member has said touches the Besides, its being approved at home does not His Excellency-I must say distinctly that general principles of the Ordinance. His objectimply that it should not be alt red here. I am these wharves are not connected with any case tions are principally to matters of detail which not bound if good reason is shown to the contrary ment. I venture to think the Government has would be better considered in connection with to pass a single line of it. My view on the point acted very liberally in this matter. Considering any amendment that he may desire to move in is that al hour bil do not quite see the object of that the Government were not in the least committee. I have given very careful and it. I do not see that it can do any harm, and I. bound, having given these wharves on the disanxious consideration to this matter; I have con- am bound to presume that there was some object | tinet understanding, that they were to be residered all that has been neged on the every side, in putting the clause in. It is not easy for moved immediately they wished—the corresany one who has not drafted the Ordinance to pondence is quite clear on the subject-I think say what the effect of leaving it out might be. they have done quite as much as could be ex-

> formation. I have no objection to it personally, ment. They have obtained a large price for His Excentency-I do not think it can do certain things which if the Government chose, any harm. I must say, in some respects I they need only have said "We want the e und should have liked to have been able, rather than they could have removed them. They have to have had any question of compensation, no legal right to get one farthing, but instead to resume the property in connection with of that they get a very large sum, and by adding this Ordinance, but I have come to the a little more to it they can put up whereas in conclusion that this would not work, but I am Geeper water and be altogether in a better posiquite certain I have no intention of using this tion than they were before. I have talked, clause outside the Reclamation Scheme. The talked, talked, for hours with persons in crested clause has been put there by those who have in this matter, and that is the conclusion I have special logal qualifications, and I presume it has come to. If it should turn out differently to some object although I must confess that at this moment I do not see it.

The clause was then passed. On Clause 5, which states all the land reclaim: ed under the Ordinance is to be absolutely the property of the Crown and that all rights, canements, or supposed cusements in relation to any wharf, landing place, &c., are declared to be oxtinguished-

Hon. P. RYETE said-This clause has called forth some very strong objections with regard to Bis Excentency—I have the same objection the taking away of wharves and casements. I dinance at all. That will be part of the agreeto that sort of question as I have always had be- propose that the consideration of this clause fore, particularly when we are in Committee. I be postponed. It seems very hard that peram bound to repeat to hou, members the request sons who have had ensements should now your special knowledge of the subject you can that they should make up their minds as to what have them taken away, after paying crown probably a swer more precisely—as to this every matter coming priore them and see its essements, wherea So, which they have an-

His Excellency-I understand that the hon, member proposes that the consideration of this clause be postpound,

Hon. P. Ryrre-Yes, I move that, sir. This is a very serious clause. Hant Wong Suing seconded.

His Excellency—This Ordinance is based

apon the presumption that the great majority of

ing out as a great public bonefit. I am convinced that it is a great public benefit and for that reason I am a strong supporter of the Ordinance. For the purpose of energing out this Ordinance you must have clear ground. You must have the ground clear of all voxations suits before Hon. B. LAYTON-I apologise, Sir. for having you can start upon the work. It would be impossible for a large work of this kind to be done without the power to stop suits in every possible direction, but allowing at the same time those who have their rights interfered with to come in for compensation. This has been done by the Ordinance. If you once leave casements aby moment. Anybody who may have some His Excellency-L am perfectly willing to supposed easement can come into court, may get ment which stops them from all objection, this Hon. P BYRIE-I fail to see how we can clause provides for their compensation, if any damage is proved by the less of their calement. It I think, con idering the very great chieats Government evidently think the same-that such a measure as this is portectly justifiable. especially if you come to think that by allowing these ausements-1 Speak in the presence of the Acting Attorney General, who can toll me whether I am right or no-you might be delayed junctions which would cause any amount of declause of this kind in it. Still I should like to

> say on the matter. The Acting Attounty-General -I quite stand that the hor. member makes some allusion to wharves. As I understand it, the owners ofmissive owners, and therefore any use they have

> Hou P. Ryrie-But the owner of the Crown ots gets rents for these wharves as an easement. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-You but he is the one provided for in this clause. He alther comes under the terms of the agreement or he makes his claim for comp asalion on the ground that he has been debarred from his rights.

Hou. P. RYRIE-Well, I think there are very strong objections in the way of doing away with these easements. Hon. C. P. CHATER-It occurs to me that his hon, friend, the senior unsofficial member, has la grievance about these wharves. Beyond what may point out that the sunioged damage caused is, in my opinion, almost entirely 'imaginary... regret that the hon, member has snoken to me on this point only two or three minutes ago, after is coming into this room. I wish be had spoken I to me ere this. I could have satisfied him that

wharves. Your Excellency is aware the Re-Propresentative of the Steamboat Company has stated that the damage done to the Steambout. Company would be immense.

His Excellency -- I do not wish to interrupt regular way. However, I am only mentioning | the hon, member, but I did not understand the senior un official member to allude to wharves. Apparently be did as the Acting Attorneys General also referred to them.

Hon. P. Ryrie-Yos, I have alladed to wharves Hon. C. P. CHATER-The hon, member also lluded to wharves when speaking to me personally on the matter, your Excellency As I point. ed out, one section of this work must be finished. before another section is started. The Steamboat Company's wharf is on section 6, if I am not mistaken. Well. Section 5 must be fluished bu-Hon. B. LATTON-As I said before 1 must fore a start is made on Section 6. I pointed out to the Secretary of the Company that no damage whatever to the Company would result, and ! think I should probably be the last man in the Colony to prevent business or trade coming to the colony. But the hon, memberon my left (Hon. P. Ryriel seems to be under the impression that by carrying out the Reclamation Schome House of Commons and in other Colonies, that the Steamboat Company's steamers will have to lie out in the stream. No such thing. We Hon B. LAYTON-The question I have to ask have to complete section 5 before section 6 can be commenced, and steamers will be able to come alongside just as easily as they do purpose: does this prevent the Crown lessees to-day. Besides, as the hon, and learned Attorney-General has just pointed out, there is an The Acring Attorney-General -I think | amount of compensation to be given to wharf owners, and they can with that compensation, plus very little, more, put up wharves in deeper water where steamers can come and go very easily. I would therefore point out that this great damage because of loss of passments is entirely imaginary. I regret very much that the hon, member has not chosen to speak on the subject ere this. I lieve always volunteered to give every explanation necessary to satisfy all purposes with regard to this scheme, and when the hon, member speaks of the serious and heavy damage the Steamboat Company will sustain.

pany communicated with him on this sub-HisExcellency-Ithinkit is desirable in some | ject with my knowledge and sauction, and that I I cannot see any possible danger from its re- pected of them and a great deal more than they were bound to do. The wharf owners have Hon, B. Lavron-I am only asking for in- obtained very liberal terms from the viovernthis then the hon, member will have the righ to come here and say that their interests hav

Hon. P. RYELE-The hon, member is not

been overlooked. Hon P. RYRIE-I think your Excellency rather, overestimates what the owners o private wharves will receive. There are only \$1: 9,000 to be divided amongst all. There are fve Government wherves, and I understand these will be paid first. There will not be much left for

the private wharves. His Excellency-That is not in the Oranswer, Mr. Chater-I could answer, but with

Hon. C. P. CHATER-There is \$180/00 to be paid by the marine lot holders for charves. paid first, but if you take away Murray Pior will receive wid be very little short of that, they will get the full amount they mentioned which I need not, name, discussion od namenant when they put forward their claims.

very little to go to private wharf-owners. Hon. C. P. CHATER-My impression is they been secured in so far as it is possible to secure will get at least three-fourths of what they claim, them without bringing in greater evils than "His Excellency—I venture to say that the those we desire to remedy. I will mention the Colony has never had a Governor who was more latterations as we go through the clauses. With thoroughly convinced that any interference with | regard to one subject that I am bound to mentrade would result in injury to the Colony. I tion more particularly, that of privies, with am sure that if I see any injury done to trade, reference to which recommendations have been I shall endeavour directly to remedy it. I do made by the Sanitary Board, I have after

for accepting your Excellency's last terms.

the new market, they would get a very valuable | gather is inaccurate, to enforce such a thing front on better terms than they have now. His EXCELLENCY—The question is whether | consequence is I have abandoned it. the consideration of this clause shall be postponed. Does the bon, member wish the ones-

tion put after the explanation given P from several people concerning this question of work hardship. I am informed-which I did ensements and wharves. The Columnal Secretary-With regard to black bricks are quite unobjectionable. The only this 8180.000. I may say that Mr. Price went him- | thing this clause was intended to guard against self, at great personal inconvenience, to verify was the use of a common and unsound kind of these calculations, and he expressed himself per- | black brick in the lower portions of very

"From and after the completion of the smbank. special approval of the Surveyor-General shall provided from the public revenues. Save as have in view is gained by that, because unsound aforesaid the Governor shall not be liable for | materials are subject to the disapproval of the any deterioration, subsidence, or damage of or | Surveyor-General, so we have all the safeguards to the said embankment." Ho said the object of | we intended without making the clause so arbithe amendment was self-evident.

. Passed nom. con. Schedule A was postponed, schedule B passed. Excellency and was passed. and schedule C postponed. I draw attention to one point in section 6. The "to two thirds of" before the words "full

persons whose names are mentioned in the sche- height." amount to be paid by the different let-holders is | wholly and in every storey in the occupation of

question) and this is one that above all others | inches would be sufficient. to go any further to-day, cause the Public Works Department have that there is anything further necessary except good reason for the suggested alteration. that the main body of the Ordinance having passed I should like to mention one point which all the circumstances. Therefore I have nothing | manner that is not by any means equally object

it is quite possible any loss sustained by feet above and below. The rest of the clause reason of a person entering into the agreement and not fulfilling it may have to be made good, but though the Government is passed. may be incurred is out of the question altogether. ing portion of clause 47. Hon. P. Ryrie-It has been suggested that it should be settled by arbitration. I suppose

it would not work that way. any means by which I can be relieved of the to the proper construction of such privies as Colony and assumed the command of Her Mujesty daty will have my cordial concurrence, if only to may be erected, but not to make their provision | troops in China and the Straits Settlements. avoid suspicion of partiality. It is a most in- compulsory. the Ordinance.

I morey already paid. After what you have said where the building is used as a tensment house, I don' think there can be the slightest objection. being struck out. did or ever will. All I say is that I don't think material to the height of at least 3 feet from the tance of this Address, madequate for the occasion the public will regard any single p roop as not floor level." having got his due when this work comes to a close. I don't think any just case will receive other than just care and attention.

The Bill was left in Committee. THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

Peddie's What there is only a very small | hours between one of the hon, members now amongst the other companies claim veyor General, who may be supposed to urge all line of such lane."

Section 64 (Timber yards) was amended so as many building sites have been three been matter, left and the balance will be divided present who represents the interests, I think I side. After this very long and exhaustive dis-His Excellency-My impression is that cussion-with regard to some of the sections,

-I think we have arrived at conclusions which Hon. P. Rykre-I am informed by the I think will be found as nearly generally satis-Secretary of the Company that there will be factory as any compromise can be. I believe that all the main objects of the Ordinance have

not think the wharf owners will find they have very careful consideration come to the conclasion that to enforce the keeping of a privy Hon. P. Ryme-Steamers cannot go and in every private house in Hongkong under the lie alongside a stone wall. You must have pro- conditions in which the people live, would in all probability do more harm than good. His Excellency-If you are speaking with Our object is to improve the sanitary conditions reference to this particular Company-no doubt of the household Now, as far as I can as ertain, you are now speaking on bohalf of this Com. the conditions are such that it would be exceed pany-I should like to hear you put your case, ingly difficult, it would be almost impossible, to so that I may have some idea of what you think on sure that the privy should be kept clean the result will be, bearing in mind that having without continual Government supervision; regard to your legal rights, you cannot claim | which, even if it were practicable at all, would any compensation. You have no legal right mean continual intrusion into private premises. whatever, you are simply tenants on sufferance. It would in fact introduce much greater ovils but still I should be the very last one to advocate | than those it is the object of the Bill to remove. .. the passing of a measure which would injure in I find that practically it would be impossible to the slightest degree any individual or any body make any one responsible for keeping the privies of men or which it is considered would clean. In the way tenements are let out in

be to the detriment of the colony. Very far Hongkong it would be no one's particular from it. I should like to hear for my own satis- duty, and therefore the probability is it never faction what you consider would be the effect on would be done, and if they were to get into the state I am sorry they sometimes do even Hon. C. P. CHATER-In my opinion there among European communities, the last state will be no harm or damage to the Company, of the houses would be worse than the The compensation, with a little added, will get first. Even the present head of the Public new whatves, and as great if not greater facilities. Works Department, who felt very strongly on Hon. I'. Ryrie-Making a new wharf in deep the subject, is now also convinced that to have privies in all the houses would probably result His Excellency-Is the Company the owner in more instead of less insanitary conditions. Consequently I have altered the clauses so as to lally. boundit of the Reclamation Schome. He was one provision of privies will not be made com- Mr. Price should receive £100 a year in lieu of cil. And gratifying it was at the time that 3 .- After making every allowance for the of the first to get up and propose the resolution | pulsery. I look more to example in these things | the fees than to any hard and fact measure, which

Hon. J. Bell. Inving-Where will the Com- I would set the greater part of the people against pany go, when the present wharf is pulled down Plit. But apart altogether from the opposition to Hon. C. P. Charke—I satisfied the Scoretary | the measure, I am absolutely satisfied that unof the Company that a few yards off, opposite less all the information I have been able to would in the end do more harm than good. The

Section 10 (Walls) His EXCELLENCY-I have been satisfied, and the Surveyor-General has been satisfied also, Hon. P. RYRIE-I have received intimations that in its present rigid form this clause would not know when I first saw this draft-that some feetly satisfied that \$180,000 would satisfy all lofty houses. After a very large of discussion I have come to the conclu-In reply to His Excollency, Mr. RYRIE said sion that it would be better to let the latter he would not press a vote on his motion, and the part of the clause read as follows:- "Sound black bricks may be exclusively used in any The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL proposed | wall of 36 feet in height or less, but when that Section! be amended to read as follows - the wall is of a greater beight than 36 feet the ment authorised by this Ordinance the Governor | be required in respect of the use of black bricks shall keep and maintain the sea wall thereof and except in the upper portion of the wall to the all the public roads thereon out of monies to be fextent of 36 feet." Really the only object we

trary as it was before. The clause was amended as suggested by His Clause 13 (Cross Walls) was passed after an The Acting Cotionial Treasurer-Might alteration had been made by the insertion of

dules agree to pay certain specified sums of In clause 18 (Opening through party wall money, and in the event of the cost largely exceed the first three lines - " No opening shall be ing the estimate they agree to contribute to the | made into or through any party wall separating excess. What I do not understand is how the lany two buildings unless such buildings are

the same person"-were struck out. His Excellency—Well, the Bill is not going | Hen. Wong Shing objected to the provision to be passed to day, and therefore I think the hon, in the same clause that "in the case of shop member will have full opportunity of satisfying fronts left open to the street the side walls or himself. There is the same objection to this party wall shall be returned for at least twelve that there was to the other (Hon. B. Layton's linches along such front." He suggested that six

ought to have been satisfied. However, the hon. After some discussion, in which the hon. member will have full opportunity of satisfy. member found no supporters, the clause was ing himself and I will assist him. I do passed without alteration on this point, the be- | Governor undertaking, however, to inquire into the subject and to allow the clause to be renot yet finished the schedules. I don't know committed in case he was satisfied there was

Clause 25 [Mezzanine floors.) HIS EXCELLENCY-This clause caused a ver has not been alluded to, but which I thought long discussion indeed, and I believe the amend would have been, namely, the discretion of the ment that has been arrived at will serve the Covernor in determining what if any compensa- principal objects which were aimed at tion is to be given to dissentient lot-holders. That in the clause as originally drafted, and at discretion which he will be bound to exercise the same time avoid certain hardships that nader this Ordinance was certainly not songht as was pointed out to me, would be cause by myself. It is a nest invidious duty which I by it in its original form. The clause as would be the last to desire to have imposed upon amended will meet the chief blot against which me. I had no part in drafting the Ordinance | the original clause was directed, namely, that and certainly no part in including that provi- excessive division of the space between floor and sion. It has been done by others, by the law- floor into what have been somewhat aptly termed yers, who think that its on the whole the sardine boxes. That will be prevented, and hist course to pursue, taking into consideration | nevertheless the use of mezzanine fleors in a further to say in the matter, but I can say this. | tionable will be permitted. It has been pointed that it is a duty I have to exercise with very out to me that if they are absolutely forbidden great regret, and I trust it wan't be necessary great deal of the cubic space of a house which

at all. Rather than I should have to exercise | would otherwise be available would be entirely it I would very much prefer recommending to the lost for the purposes of residence, though Secretary of State that the lot of the objector | might be so used without real injury, for when should be resumed, in which ease the very fullest the whole floor is occupied by merchandise it precention would be taken that the price of the may be occupied to no very great extent as re resumption should be referred to a Board the gards height. By the use of a niezzanine floor impartiality of which no one could take except between that and the one above it, so long as the tion to. I do not think anybody will impuga | mezzanine floor does not go from one side of the my impartiality. However, no Governor put in | building to the other, the cubic space between such a position would act in his own advice. In the merchandise and the mezzanine floor may the first place he would ask the advice be considered part of the cubic space, to be of his Council, and that would preclude used by the occupants above. I am teld the personal feeling even if he were disposed to practical effect of entirely preventing the use of exercise it. And the Council would not be mezzanine floors would be to work very great justified in coming to a conclusion without the hardship indeed and must drive out a large opinion of experts. I think, although every portion of the population. By the clause as new one may not have his rights assessed at his own drawn I believe that may be avoided and yet the valuation, which is very common, still I doubt | real tangible harm against which the clause was where when we come to review in directed will be obviated. I propose it be amend times to come what has been done under this ed as follows - Strike out the clause as original. Ordinance any one will be able to say he has ly drawn from " No mezzanine floor " to " dwellh on injured in the slightest degree by it, ing house" and substitute the following :-- "A There are points that at first seem harsh, but after | inezzanine floor or storey shall have in every room all they are founded on principles that are follow. In clear space both above and below it of ed in all commercial matters. Take for instance | vertical feet when such floor or storey exthat about the forfeiting of money paid when | tends for more than two-thirds, and of 6 ver-

the instalments still due are not paid. No one tical feet when it extends for two-thirds or will believe for a moment that the Government less than two-thirds of the greater dimension would really ferfeit that money completely, but of such room." The effect of that is that where they must have the right to do so. One of the | mozzanine floor extends for more than twofirst rules of a commercial company is that thirds of the greater dimension of the room is when a call is not paid the share is forfeited. I must have 9 glear feet above and below it, but it believe it is very rare indeed that they do for it extends only for two-thirds or less than twofeit the amount already paid; all they take thirds-thereby leaving a fairly wide opening care of is that they don't lose. In the same so that the air in the cubic space below can be way here, the right must be taken, and availed of-it must have not less than 6 vertical

will remain as it is. The amendment was adopted and the clause bound to take the right on ordinary commercial . Clause 47 (Sufficient windows to be provided) principles, that it would exercise that right with was passed, and clause 48 (Area of windows) was any hardship to the individual or in any way struck out, His Excellency saying that the beyond what is necessary to secure any loss that object of the latter was secured by the conclud-

Clause 50 (Privv). His EXCELLENCY-I propose- to alter the privy clauses on the principle I have already His EXCRLLENCY-Well, all I can say is that | mentioned, namely, to merely make them apply

vidious duty, and I have had no part in drafting The clause was altered to read as follows-"Every person who shall erect a privy in any Hon. R. Larron-I think, sir, what you have domestic building shall cause the same to be just said, has put at rest any misgivings that constructed of brick," etc., etc., etc., the latter part great esteem in wich you are field by the publ may have been entertained about the forfeiting of the clause, requiring a privy for each floor generally.

HIS EXCELLENCY-I don't mean to say we In clause 51 (Ventilation of privy) the followcon stisfy every body as regards what they ing was added-" The walls shall also be renderthink their due. No great public measure ever ed in coment morter or other non-absorbent therefore it only remains for us to ask your acceptable.

Clause 52 (Floor of privy) was passed. In clause 53 (Privy not to be connected with drain or sewer) the following words were in serted-" Except for the purpose of carrying off ablution water.

tion. Since the last meeting I have had very who shall erect fronting a private lane any new aware how carnestly you have laboured to place the long discussions, not only with various in domestic building other than a godown inhabited Corony in an efficient state of defeace, we are quit benefit of a discussion lasting from five to six tection of the property shall so place the said We thankfully recognise, however, the large measure

cubic feet of timber, instead of 200 feet, on promises not complying with the provisions of the clause as to enclosure and distance from other buildings.

Section 67 was aftered to read as follows-"No person shall, after the passing of this Ordinance construct or reconstruct any boundary wall or encleaure wall of atone, fronting any public road or thoroughfare within the City of Victoria, unless such wall is solid throughout its entire thickness and built of brick or stone properly bodded and bonded together and surmounted by a coping of dressed stone or properly moulded bricks sat in coment mortar.

Clause 68 (Retaining wall) was passed. Clause 72 (Plan of building to be approved Surveyor-General) was amended to allow o the plan being drawn on a scale of one-sixteenth of an inch to-a foot instead of one-eighth. Sub-section 6-of clause 80, constituting inflamable structures on roofs nuisances

amended by exempting bamboo structures. The clauses referring to penalties, the definition clause, and the schedules were postponed.

The Council adjourned until Friday poxt-

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on the 29th ultimo after the meeting of the

The CHAIRMAN -The first question for the

The vote was passed. The CHAIRMAN said the next business was a vote of \$13.500 for the completion of Victoria. College, being \$5 500 for balanco due to contracfor and \$3,000 for cortain iron work which had to be obtained from England. Hon. J. BELL-IRVING-Is that finished now?

The vote was passed.

The CHAIRMAN-I hope so. .

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY. LIMITED.

(Secretary).

sav. that the shares of the company have all been I shall be happy to answer them.

Noquestions being put, the meeting terminated.

ADDRESS TO LIEUT-GENERAL CAMERON, C.B.

and. On Saturday afternoon; a number ing the military up to the mark. With regard fires frequently spread in consequence of the of residents, among whom where the Chief to what has been done for the defence of the co- combestible nature of their contents. Ryrio being the spokesman.

the greatest pleasure in being taked to present | not hold the General perfectly helpless in the which the fire originated. In a third, the trouble to a defending force in a position above. and that force-has by no means so easy a task inthe remark of the Highland worthy applied when he said "A hoggis hersel', God bless her, will charge doon a hill." (Laughter and applause.) You have certainly worked since your advent here to make the men under you effective. and you have not spared yourself. (Applause.) You have worked continuously and devotedly. this Colony by so doing is, I assure you, appreciated by every inhabitant of it, [Applause,] We feel that we now have some sort of an idea in our minds as to what way we should defoud ourselves. should this colony unfortunately be attacked such a thoroughly friendly spirit that I think a Of course there is the question of the guns, sure the part which you have had to play has had pleasanter friends to deal with than I have been well acted. (Applause.) I would now refer found in this Colony. I shall leave it with the to the way in which you administered the very greatest regret; I say so honestly. I don't Government here, during the time you were called upon to act as Governor. I can testify, in the colonies than at home. With regard to higher levels. So long as the fires occur on the past. Out of 97 schools under Government in as a member of the Council over which you presided for two periods, to the way pleasure to Mrs. Cameron and my daughters to which you assisted legislation forward: You gave every help that was in your place. All we have ondeavoured to do was to levels have to be reached. It is quite possible to Chinese language, using either the Panti or power in assisting the Courcil arrive at treat everybody as a perfect friend and to have right conclusions. (Applause.) You particularly forwarded all sanitary measures. You took an i plause, And if we have in any way succeeded mmense interest in these measures, and that interest was well directed, and I believe will have a good result: (Applause.) I myself, and I may say every momber of that Council always received your assistance on any point on which information was desired. You did not stiffe any inquiry | Cameron, and the Misses Cameron. by saving "Oh, this is not a proper time for such a question," or unything of that sort. You afforded all the information from the chair, which consider every President of a Council should afford. Socially you have perhaps been even more amenable and more in touch with the community. Not only have you always been on the best of

terms with the head of the executive and the civil officials, but you have worked cordinly and

and your amiable daughters have done. (Lond applanse). I can assure you, General, you leave t is colony with the most cordial good wishes of also a prize of five dollars for the highest scoror every member of the community. (Applause.) exclusive of the handicapped points, which was They sympathise with you in the unfortunate won by P.C. W. Robertson with a score of 57 accident you suffered from and which may now points. Mr. E. L. Weodin was second for this happily be considered as got over. It only now remains for you to gather strength and be as hale and hearty as ever you were. (Applause). If you will permit me I shall now read the address. To His Excellency Lieutenant-General William Gor

At the time of your ar ival war existed between France and China, and our relations with Russia, consequence of the Afghan troubles, were decided strained, enusing some natural apprehension as the state of our local defences in the event of hestil ties breaking out. Rapid organism ton of the fore-The Conneil resumed consideration in Committee of this Bill.

His Excellency—We left a number of the clause 55 (Space in front of building) was clause of this Bill over for further consideration.

Clause 54 was also amended as suggested by the Sanitary Board.

Clause 55 (Space in front of building) was claused by available became necessary, and we gutefully recolumned to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination, and resources—a confidence which has been fully successful to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination, and resources—a confidence which has been fully successful to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination, and resources—a confidence which has been fully successful to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination, and resources—a confidence which has been fully successful to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination, and resources—a confidence which has been fully successful to the formulation of the public by your indomitable energy, determination of the public by your indomitable energy. dividuals interested, but I have also had the by such caretakers as are necessary for the pro-

building that along its entire frontage there of success which has aften led your efforts, and the shall be an open space of at least seven and a means taken for the prote tion of the southern in the removal of rastrictions on the Colony's land

contiguous to military, reserves, by which means Section 64 (Timber yards) was amended so as many building sites bare been thrown open, you have to allow of the storage of not more than 300 acted in the most liberal-minded manner, and the Land Commission, in their Report, have referred to the Garginon Shooting Club, The followyour broad and liberal views on these matters. On two occasions you have been called upon to administer the Government. As Acting Governor you exhibited the same energy and conscientious atten-tion to detail in the civil administration which characterise you in your own profession. Among the civil servants you won for yourself most favourable pinions as an able, painstaking, a d hard-working

> Alike at Government House and Hondquarter House, you have di poused a genial hospitality, ably seconded therein by Mrs. Cameren and the other members of your lumity. We cordinly wish you and your family a hearty farewell, a safe and pleasant, veyage to England, and speedy restoration to your wonted health and

Finally, we hope you will soon be enabled to. another command, for we feel assured that if a large capacity for work, unceasing attention to duty, and a thorough knowledge of your profession count for anything. Her Majosty's Government will not fail to require your valuable services again before very long. We have the honour to be, Sir, you most obedient

[Here follow about 200 signatures] General Cameron, in reply, said-Mr. Ryrie, my Lord Chief Justice, honourable gentlemen, and all who have signed this address to me on behalf of the community, words cannot express adequately my deep sense of the lionour that has been conferred upon me. To an old soldier like myself who has been preaching how thoroughly well the military and the civilians ought to pull together, it is especially gratifying to have this testimony of the good will and esteem of my Legislative Council, the Colonial Secretary pre- fellow-citizens in Hongkoug. I have endeavoored, gentlemen, simply to do my drity. I have never to my knowledge courted popularity, or consideration of the Committee is a vote of evaded any unpleasant duly that fell to my lot. \$950.79 personal allowance to Hon. J. M. Price but I trust, gentlemen, that in my dealings at \$480 a year as compensation for fees on both public and private, I have considered the rown land sales to which he was cutitled and interests of everybody concerned, and that I what may be termed, serious fires, at which the never drew. There was a practice in the early have never hart the feelings of any single in. Brigade has been ougaged each year, during the days of the colony that the Surveyer-General dividual in this community. (Applause). My last ten years. 

and was even asked to preside as Chairman luse of kerosine oil, I am forced to the concluof the Police Commission. From the very sion that this enormous increase in the number moment Is joined I found myself in what I of fires, during the last two years, is to be atlook upon as the most pleasant relation in life tributed in no small measure to the effects of —that of being placed on a footing of perfect "cheap Fire Insurance." quality with my fellow citizens. I have received | During the barly part of 1887 a keep comthe greatest kindness and consideration from one petition between some of the Insurance Com-Governor after another, the present Governor panies was commoned resulting in a general not least. They have co-operated with me in reduction in the rates of premia and the accept everything. My military duties have been ren- nace of risks on the contents of Chinese houses dered easy. Not only the Governor, but the becoming the rule, where it had previously been community have done their best to remove all the exception. restrictions from the ground the military wanted. 4.—In one ense of suspected incondingism. to move over, and Kewloon has been made a great | charge was made at the instance of the Agent The statutory general meeting of the share- exercise ground, simply by the consideration of for the Straits Insurance Company which resultholders of the above company was held on the the Government in clearing out all the squat- ed in four Chinese the master of the shop is 30th ult. in the Hongkong Hotel. There were ters and making the ground available for the which the fire occurred and three employes) be present Hon. B. Layton (Chairman), Messrs, troops, and also by the community in backing up ing convicted at the September Criminal Ses T. E. Davies, H. L. Dalrymple, E. A. Solomon | the Government. In an army like ours, if we | sions of the Supreme Court and each sentenced (Directors); Captain Hamlin, Messrs. W. H. F. are to prosper, we must be helped by the com- to two years' imprisonment with hard labour. Darby, E. George, A. Levy, S.R. Marcus, W. munity. The community must be imbued with 5 .- Several Magisterial enquiries into the Dougherty, H. B. Dunlop, and C. S. Barff military notions and must be able to appreciate cause of fires have been held under the provi what the troops do: Thus they won't allow the sions of the Now Kiro Enquiry Ordinance The CHAIRMAN said-Gentlemen, this most troops to get behind the time. It has been my [(Ord. No. 23 of 1888) since it came into force it ing is called in accordance, with the Ordinance, | endeavour to interest the community in military | October last, and although, so far, no prosecution and is merely of a formal character. I can only matters, for the more you are interested in line been instituted, I am of opinion that they military matters the safor the colony will be. have not been valueless. taken up, the company is at work, and every- (Applouse.) As has often been said, what is It is quite possible the future-will show that thing is going on satisfactorily. There is no the use of fortifications and guns without a although, except in rate cases, the evidence obother business, but if there are any questions garrison? And the smaller the garrison the tained in these enquires will not take the case

you with this address, which has been so largely matter. It is the basiness of the General, as originated on the ground floor of a three-storaged forganized by the native; and anted by the Gosigned and I am sure I can say with truth that much as it is that of the community, to urgo building, the staircase caught five, and three vermont by a fixed monthly grant). Compareveryone who signed the address echoed in his upon the authorities to do their duty in all res- persons lost their lives in attempting to ascend ling the foregoing figures with those of the prepoets. As far as we are concurred I think the through the flames. In another, as old woman Since you arrived in this Colony you have in wilitary have done all in their power to arge aged 79 years, who was very deaf, and who doubttroduced a new era in military proceedings. We upon the Government at home the necessity of less did not hear the alarm, was burned to death had never before seen the new form of defence sending out the guns as soon as possible. But in a small room, partitioned off, in the top yerand attack which you have worked hard at and you must recollect, as I have said, I think, in the andah of a -three-storoyed house. And in the brought up to a point of great efficiency. War Council over and over again, that there are last, a woman with a child strapped at her back. always great changes going on in artiflery, and had just escaped from the burning building into sion, is very different from what it was in the old it is difficult sometimes, of course, for the autho- the street, when the child was struck on the days. Now-a-days troops could creen up hills withestofind out the very best gues. The gras that head by a box that was thrown from an appear needed with the Government Scholarship, but and go round rooks and cause considerable were to have been sent out, you all knew, failed storey and killed on the spot. on being proved, and it would be far better to | 8.-A serious accident occurred at the fire in | \$45,518.93 (as compared with \$13,070.91 in the Chinese residents to put forth any effort in the wait a little and be perfectly certain rather than . Queen's road West on the 18th May last, when | year 1887 or \$7.27 per scholar (as compared advancing down a hill as in the days to which get guas out that are not quite up to the mark a member of the Voluntair Fire Brigade (Mr. with \$7.21 per scholar in 1887). These expanses Therefore, although it is necessary to urge the R. Dipple) was baried beneath the debris of a were distributed as follows:- The Government authorities to less no time, it would be wrong to fallon verandah for a long time, before being Contral School, with 634 scholars, cost the Go- ceived their education in the Straits Settlements have any undue hurry before the guns are tested. discovered and released. He escaped, however, vernment in the year 1883 (exclusive of building are decidedly inimical to anything of the sort As I said of the garrison, so of the gans, where | without any serious injury, the number is small the greater the need for 9 .- The members of the Government Brigade expenses of the other Government Schools (in of polygamy which demands for its safety, the efficiency. As regards my duties in a civil have been particularly fortunated uring the votes, cluding the Aided Village Schools, tattended by greatest possible scelasion of females and which capacity, I am really ashumed to take all those nothing more serious than a few inther rough and the benefit which you have conferred on compliments from Mr. Ryrie. Everybody has falls, a few severe bruises or burns having bebeen so pleasant. From the Press I have nover fallen any of them. had an ungenerous criticism since I have been in this colony. People have their own opinions. of course, but the criticism has been done in with which you have nothing to do, but I am must have something wrong with him. I have fore long this new supply will be available in all sure they will, be forthcoming in time, and I am never had more congenial work, and I have never parts of the city, and that there will be at all

man who can't do his duty in this Colony know, but I think we are more bound together This, of course, refers more especially to the undergone any material change for many years social life, I can assure you it has been a great be able to play a part in the amusements of the difficulty increases in proportion as the higher parentage), gave a Chinese education, in the as little stiffness and formality as possible. (Ap-I am only too pleased. In conclusion, I can only express my warmest thanks for the hon ur you have done me and the kind things you have said with regard to my family and myself. (Applause.) Cheers were then given for the General, Mrs.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

HANDICAP CHALLENGE CUP-200 AND 500 The first composition for the new Handicap Challenge Cup took place on the 30th ult., for heartily with the whole community. In fact. I. which there were 45 entries, but on account of may say with regard to social amenities that the unfavourable state of the weather, only 30 nothing could excel what you and Mrs. Cameron | took part in it. Lieut tarlyle, R.A., won the cup with a total score of 59 points. There was longer range. The result shows that the handi cappers performed their work in a satisfactory

	don Cameron, O.B., &c., 'c., &c.	REMUNCE.
	Sir,-It is now four years since you came to this	Scores. 2.0 500 Points T
,	Colony and assumed the command of Hor Mujesty's	TD9, TD9, ADDED, TA
	troops in China and the Straits Sottlements.	Lione, T. Carlyle, 18.A., 33 . 21 6
	As the time approaches when you will hand over to	P.C. W. Robertson 27 30 1
	your successor the duties of your high office it is	P.C. D. McLonnan 29. 27 2
	increasing y felt that your departamental he marked	Lient. E. P. Ashe R N 25 25 8
	in some way by an emphatic expression of appreciation	Lt. E. C. H. Craut, A. & S. H. 25 25 8
	of your valuable services to this Colmy and of the	Mr. E. L. Woodin 29 23 scratch
ļ	great esteem in wich you are feld by the-public-	Mr. W. C. Murray 26 23 7
4	generally.	Mr. Real Shardwall 20 10 C
ı	It was with the utmost regret the community learn-	Mr. Fred. Shepherd 30 19 6 Mr. Walter Jackson 28 23 3
ı	od of the severe accident which has befullen you,	Mr. F. Howell 28 29 4
1	and it is the more to be deplored became we are there.	Mr. F. Howell 28 22 4
ı	by preclude t from meeting you at a farewell public- dinger in the tity Halt. Under the circumstances	Mr. R. McK, Koss
Į	therefore it only remains for us to ask your accep-	-Capt. S. Robinson, A. & S H. 26 21 6 8
I	tames of this Address, madequate for the occasion	Mr. C. H. Thompson 29 18 6 !
Į	though it is.	Mr. D. Wood
1	At the time of your ar ival war existed between	Mr. 15. Robinson 28 21 3 (
1	France and China, and our relations with Russia, in	ColSergt. Delancy, 53th 26 25 acratch
ı	consequence of the Afghan troubles, were decidedly	Lieut. Baynes, R.N. 3015 6
Î	strained, causing some natural apprehension as to	Lient, B. A. Martin, R.N 27   17 6 3
ł	the state of our local defences in the event of hestili-	Mr. C. Ford 29 20 soratch
l	ties broaking out. Rapid organism ton of the fore a	Mr. F. G. Collins
1	available became necessary, and we gratefully recol. [	P.C. G. Sinclair 27 18 3 4
ļ	leet how quickly you secured the could not of the	Mr. R. G. Hopkins
Ì	public by your indomitable energy, determination,	Mr. J. M. Atkinson 25 12 8
ı	and resources-a confidence which has been fully	Mr. J. M. Forbes
Ì	sustained throughout your tinure of office. Wolf	Liout Dauglas-Hamilton 25 retired 8 3
ı	aware how carnestly you have laboured to place the	Mr. C. V. Ladds 22 6 9
ł.	Corony in an efficient state of defence, we are quite	Capt. Blackburn, A. & S. H. 19 relired 8 2
ŀ	conscious that neither yourself nor your taff are res- ponsible for the want of completion in those defences.	Next Saturday there will be a Spoon Compe
	We thankfully recognise, however, the large incasure	tition at 600 yards.
	A and Simus Hank ter I sen welle (Mettente	AND

SHOOTING MATCH.

GARRISON SHOOTING CLUB V. HONGKONG The above match took place on the 30th all and after a close competition resulted in a victory ing are the scores :--

GARRISON SHOOTING CLUB. Grand Total .... 

F, Shepherd ..... 444-341-20, 2453555 -29, 6325434-21.

L. Woodin ....... 4441 [61-30, 5155242-28, 1312532-19.....

Corp. J. Powell., 444161 29, 3531495 -34, 3413525 - 25,

Sergt, Burida und ...441 3.6 - 30, 1465342 - 28, 03544:0 - 15 ....

F-Hayfler....... 4545356 - 31, 4254541 - 7, 420000 - 7 ..... at Carrison winners by 14 points.

REPORT OF THE ACTING SUPERIN. TENDENT OF FIRE BRIGADE FOR 1988.

The following report by the Acting Superintendent of the Fire Brigade was presented to the Legislative Conneil on Friday :-FIRE BEHADE DEPARTMENT.

Hongkong, 9th Jamiary, 1889. SIR-I have the honour to submit the followng report ou the Government Fire Brunde for the year 1888.

1 .- During the year there 137 fires and slarms

of fires; as compared with 161 during the year 1887, and 112 during 1886. 2.—The following table thems the number of

was treated as a member of that Council growth of the Golony, and the more extensive

more necessary it is that it should be prefectly lany further than the Police report, the very officient. In these days this requires an ener- fact being known that in every case of fire the mons amount of practice. The foreign armies Police will take charge of the pramises and that a are nearly all modelled now on the same system. | public enquiry may be held, will have a good effect PRESENTATION OF A FARRWELL as far as organisation goes, and have near- 6 .- Several prosecutions have taken place un by the same system of training. But one der the New Verandali Ordinance (Ord. No. power will overrun another again, all other of 1888) with, so far as the Fire Brigade is conthings being equal, just in the same way as cerned, undoubted beneficial results. At numer-Licut. General Cameron, C.B. with Mrs Cam. in former days, according to the thorough our fires in the city it was found that not only eron and the Misses Cameron, left here on best with which the military training has been was the action of the Brigade very much imped Sunday morning the 30th alt. by the City carried on, and, gentlemen, I want you to watch led by the verandals being enclosed and filted of Rio de Janeira, en route for Eng. what goes on and help by public opinion in keep- up with all kinds of paretitions, but that the

Justice, the Colonial Secretary, the 3 ombers of long, we have had tremendous difficulties here. 7.—In five cases, during the year, the fire has Council, &c. wont on board the tenmer for the A site for every buttery has not only had to be I been, unfortunately, attended with loss of life. purpose of saying good-bye and of presenting carefully selected, but wherever we have gone in one case, a young Japanese; woman met her he General with an address. The presentation we have found the ground quarried all over, and | death by the sudden collapse of one of the houses was made in the saloon of the steamor. Hon. P. nearly all the parapets in the place are what we adjoining the premises where the fire occurred. call artificial. But I think all that has been done In the second case, two coolies were burned to Hon P. Ryrte said-Your Excellency. I feel has been well done. As regards the guns, you must death in a cock-left in a carnenter's show in

10.-The supply of fresh water for fire extinguishing nurposes remains, so far, as misatis factory as over, but it is to be hoped, now that the Tytam water has reched Victoria, that betimes a sufficient pressure in the maine, that when a fire occurs, the Brigade will be quite in .. various schools subject to supervision and examidependent of the supply from the harbour, lustion by the education department has not English language, with Chinese classical teach

mains, from which there is no draught for other | the Punti dialect, and both combining the use. Foochow Profesture there provails a wicked purposes, is I think, one deserving the attention of Chinese and of Romanized characters in readof the Government. At the same time I am ling and writing. There were further 3 Portustrongly of opinion that, even with an improved | grose Schools, attended by 211 scholars of Portuhydrant system on such high prossure mains as | guese parentage, who receive there a European

cable, there being always an dulimited supply of | ex lusively in the English language. salt water available.

to be five below its strength.

To to be a change in the right direction.

and firemen, only, I think, is out of the question. Anglo-Chinese and English Schools of the co- reformation in the country a little removed. 17.-I enclose a report from Mr. Wagner, lony and especially of the Government Central Alas! Why has no energetic official againthe Acting Engineer, showing the present state School.

of the ougines. They have worked well at the very imassed number of fires during the very imassed number of fires during the very imassed number of fires during the very this is a very creditable indeed to Mr. Biangr. The stores of a state of the the Engineer. Mr. Wagner, his looped teneds add. Refrequese I manage, and learn neither English Mr. Campbell, the Assistant Engineer.

18.—I cannot recommend the purchase of a large of the storement is the same observational head of the store supply is known, and possibly the subsection of the following correctly in the verm alar torgue, before attention to require a foreign language.

there is nothing to take its place.

alarms of fire during the year. the Volunteer Brigades, both European and Chinese, for their valuable assistance, and in concluding this report I toust bear testimony to the yory creditable manner in which both officers and men of the Government Brigade have answered each call to dety.- I have the honour to be, Sic, your most electiont servant,

GRO, HORSPOOL, Actg. Supt. Fire Brigade. The Hon. F. Stowart, LL.D., Colonial Secretary, &c., &c., &c.

TRE EDUCATIONAL REPORT FOR 1888.

Dr. Eitel, Inspector of Schools, in his report for last year presented to the Legislative Council on Friday last, says :-

2.—The total number of Educational Institutions of all descriptions, known to have been at work in the colony of Hongkong during the year 1888, amounts to 206 schools with a grand total of 8.717 scholars. More than three-fourths of courage and promote education in Beys' Schools the whole number of scholars, that is to say 6,728 as well as well as in Girls', Schools, continues to scholars, attended schools (99 in number) subject stimulate private efforts in the direction of to Government supervision and either establish- feinale education. Nevertheless it is a patent fact ed or nided by the Government in some form or that female education is still in a very backward others. The remainder, vis., 107 schools with condition in the colony and there can be no reason independent of covernment supervision and re- children in Hongkong who remain uneducates ceiving no aid from public funds unless it be (see Table XVI.) are girls. Of the 1.933 chil that they are exempt from payment of rates and dren enrolled in Clovernment Schools during

scholars (viz. 17 Europeans, 163 Chinese, and 150 | 6.67 per cent of the whole number of children Indians in irregular attendance) and the West- in Government Schools. In the Grant-in-Ai-Point Reformatory, with 75 Chinese and 26 Schools the proportion of girls to boys has been Portuguese scholars, both of which schools are better from the beginning and is gradually im exempt from the central of the Education De- proving: In these Schools there were, in the partment, the total number of schools, subject | year 1883, among a total of 4, 25 children to supervision and annual examination by the 2,538 hoys and 1,787 girls. In other words, it Government, amounted, in the year 1888, to 97, Grant in Aid Schools the girls numbered 41.3 as compared with 47 in the year 1878, and 16 in per cent. of the whole of children enrolled, s the year 1868. The total number of scholars en. that for any it boys in these Schools there wer rolled in this same class of schools during the also to girls under instruction. A census of year 1883 amounted to 6,258 scholars, as com. Chinese Private Schools taken by the Repared with 3,152 scholars in the year 1878, and I gistrar General, during the year 1888, b allischolars in the year 1868. These compari- means of the District Watchmen, show sous appear to exhibit a satisfactory increase of that there were, among 1,70% children in S schools and scholars from decade to decade.

three years, I find the number of Schools under the supervision and examination of the Education Department to have rison from 90 Schools in or foreign extraction, ample provision has been 1886, to 94 Schools in 1887, and to 97 Schools in made, under the Grantfin-Aid Scheme, for 1888, whilst the number of scholars enrolled, in | modicum, of female education. As regard these same Schools, resu from 5,244 in 1886, to Protestant European girls, there are two small 5,974 in 1887, and to 6,258 in 1888. The stendy | Private Schools which might be enlarged of annual increase thus observable during the last three years and progressing from an increase of in-Aid Fehome, if the demand for female duce merely 10 scholars in 1886, to an increase of 150 scholars in 1887, and to an increase of 284 scholars in 1888, is nothing to boust of, because it is in all probability but a poor comparison with a proportionately much greater annual increase of the population, but still it is satisfactory in view of the decrease which occurred in 1885 and contirus the opinion I expressed in my last annual report, that the current of educational development is beginning to recover its normal strength. which it bud lost in consequence of the local disturbances connected with the France-Chinese war in 1884.

5.-Referring to the 6,258 scholars who, as above mentioned, attended Schools under the spectision of the Islandion Department therewere as many as 4,325 of these scholars attending Missionary Grant-in-Aid Schools where they received a Christian education, viz. 3,407 scholars in Protestant Schools and 918 scholars in Roman Catholic Schools. The Government Schools in the colony were attended by 1.933 scholars, of whom 631 scholars received their instruction in the Government Central School, 932 scholars in the Government Schools in town and villages. and 3.7 scholars in the small Village Schools ceding year, it appears that there has been slight increase of attendance amounting to 16 scholars in the case of the Grant-in-Aid Schooland to 119 scholars in the case of the Govern-

6 .- The exposses incurred by the Government. during the year 1-88, on account of calucation in general, amounted (including the expenses con- has any moral effect at all, such effect will not b excluding cost of new buildings; to a total of expenses) \$12.381.14 or \$19.53 per head. The Because they are the supporters of a system 1,200 scholars, amounted in the year 1888 to is endangered by the promotion of a system

310,511.18, or \$8.08 per scholar, that is to say English Public School education specially de 37.01 per scholar in the Government Schools and signed to invite the attendance of Chinese, \$4.19 per scholar in the Aided Schools. On the well as Emerson or European girls. Unde Missionary Grant-in-Aid Schools, with 4,325 t-those circumstances, seeing no prospect of pri scholers, the Government have spent, for the vate effort coming forward in this direction. year 1888, the sum of \$16,847.35 or \$3.89 per am of opinion that it is desirable that the Ga scholar. A building grant of \$300 given to the | vernment should establish a Girls' School, open expenditure above mentioned.

7.- The nature of the education given in the Queen's Road level, there is little difficulty in the year 1888, as many as 77 schools, attended reaching them with sufficient salt water, but the l by 3.986 scholars (almost exclusively of Chinese have to use three engines to enable one to play | Hakka dialect. Two schools, attended by 110 scholars, gave a European education in the Chi-

13.—In consequence of the great increase in all the scholars in schools receiving Covernment and it is customary for event officials to proceed the number of fires, it was found impossible to aid receive a non-English education, the teach. I thither to make a salutation. When this coremaintain an effective Brigade on the old scale ling in the first of the five classes above enumer. | mony is over, a rope is suspended from a bonn, of pay, and in Soptember last, the very small ated being virtually that of the ordinary. Chi. the widow places it round her own neck, and one force of seventeen European firemen was found nese Village Schools, except that in all of them of her brothers pulls the end with all his strongth The Government thereupon decided to in added, with the further addition of Christian and an application is made to the Emperor prize with a score of 57 also, the former taking crosse the salaries of the rank and file by 100 religious toaching in the case of 44 out of these mark of honour to be bestowed the prize, having made the best score at the per cent, and also to augment the number of 77 schools. Of course the fact that the vast ma. to commemorate her sacrifice which is falsely European firemen from seventeen to twenty- jority of the residents of the Colony are Chinese, reported as a voluntary one. Hence there is three, and to reduce the number of Chinese fire | whose daily necessities do not absolutely re- scarcely a family in Lieu Kiaug which cannot men from seventy-six to fifty. This has proved quire a knewledge of English, is sufficient to ac- boast of a "virtuous widow," and the whole count for the preference given by the mass of country is studded with pailous erected in their 14.—The European firemen had invariably the people to these non-English Schools. But honour. This is a hateful custom and has been been taken from the Police Force, but the Cap- the gratuitous character of the teaching given the cause of many a death. tain Superintendent of Police not being prepar- in these schools, which hire all free schools for | Some tens of years ago, it is recorded a new ed to allow any more of his men to nudertake the special use of the poor, has also a great deal Prefect who arrived to administer this part of these duties, an application was made to the to do with the popularity of these non-English the country, was much amazed when he heard Mistary Authorities and His Excellency the Schools. The fact that most of these schools, of this custom; and receiving, soon after his ar-Lieut. General Commanding kindly approved being Missionary Grant-in Ald Schools, combine vival, an invitation to be present at such a funcof the appointment of six men from the garrison. Christian instruction with the study of Chinese tion, and to make a kotow in full official dress. These military firemen are available for duty classical lore, does not interfere with their popu- on the occasion, he at first declined; but being between 6 p.m. and 6 n.m.; all the Police firemen larity among the non-Christian section of the urged by the gentry and elders to go, he delarit are, as a rule, available between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Chinese community, who unhesitatingly prefer mined to be present on this one occasion to but during the other twelve hours only half a Christian Mission School tog socular Govern- see what would happen. As soon, however as ment School, even when the latter should be he had make his reverence, the widow on the

15.—This arrangement has, so far, answered nearer at hand, provided that the former is con- platform began to cry out and to stamp, giving very well indeed, but I think the best means of sidered to be superior in respect of Chinese every evidence that she died no willing victim. maintaining the efficiency of the Brigade, and classical teaching, or as regards method and dis. Moved to violent indignation at the night, the with advantage to the Colony in other respects, cipline. The best classical teacher, be he teacher good Prefect arrested her elder relations. would unquestionably be to keep the European of a Mission School or of a Government School, neighbours, and the tipac, and administered Police at such a strongth us would enable the invariably attracts the largest number of several hundred blows with the bamboo to each. Captain Superint andent to sanction the employ- scholars. That it is best for their children to the husband's father being cangued in addition, ment of a larger number of constables as fire- give them first a thorough grounding in Chi- and the mother being best on the mouth. men, as, whon not assaged on Fire Brigade ness classics, before they begin the study of The Prefect issued a proclamation stringently. service, there is ample scope for their employ. English, has become the universal conviction of forbidding such enforced suttees for the future, Chinese parents is Hongkong. These schools but this was only obeyed in the immediate . It .- The employment of Europeans as firemen, not therefore systematically as feeders of the neighbourhood of the city, and produced no

quent question of separate lire mains considered; before attempting to acquire a foreign landeage. but I think, a new floating engine would prove The Portuguese community are gradually, though very serviceable; the present one is upwards of but slowly, turning in the direction of recouniz-20 years old, and cannot be expected to last ing this sound pedagogical principle which has much longer, and in the event of a break down, been adopted several years ago by the Heads of the Roman statholic Mission here, but the extent to 19 .- I also onclose a roturn of the fires and | which the parents of children accept and act upon this line of education is still very limited. Too 20.—Our thanks are due to the members of many Portuguese parents, who speak Portuguese only, send their boys, when 6 years old, to an English School and insist upon their being hurried as quickly as possible through Standard after Standard, in order that they may the sooner get employment as clerks and contribute towards the support of the family. The result in most cases is that the montal progress of such relializes is but superficial, that they become mere smatterers in English and, worst of all, such systematic hothouse training stunts not only the growth of the montal energies, but has often also the effect of a blight upon the higher moral perceptions. As the above mentioned Chinese Schools'act as feeders to the Government Central School and kindred institutions, so these Portuguese Schools are the natural Preparatory Schools for St. Juseph a College and the Italian Convent , School. 10.—Pemale education has, for some year past, been making steady, though very slow, progross in the colony. This movement has been

farthered, on the part of the Government, by establishing at the beginning of the year 183 another Girls' School intended to give Chinese girls an exclusively Chinese admention. The Belilios Medal and Prize Fund, which, in the year under review, has been modified so as to en the year 1838, there were 1.804 boys and 123 3.—Apart from the Police School with 369 | girls, that is to say, the girls numbered only

Chinese Private Schools, 1,679 boys and 2 4 .- Applying the same comparison to the last girls, the girls numbering only 1.50 per cent, of the children in attendance. So far as Roma Catholic girls are concerned, be they of nativ (added to, with or without the help of the Grant tion by this section of the community were no so small and not so hedged in with religious an social casto projudices. As regards Chines girls whose parmits do not aim higher that giving their daughters a purely Chinese, that i non-English, education, the Grant-in-Ail Scheme is doing, or capable of doing if availed of all that is needful. But there is absolutely n provision made by private efforts nor by Gd vernment for affering Chinese or other girl a choap, non-sectarian, English or Auglo-Chines education. If it is the desire of the Government to premote in the colony generally a knowledge of the English' language and to put a Europes: or at least an Angle-Chinese education within the reach of all, we ought not to confine the

efforts of the tlevernment to giving to boy only an English or Anglo-Chinese education but offer the same advantages, on the same con ditions, to the girls who will be the mothers of future generations. What has bindered effort in this direction hithorto, was chiefly the forr the the system of concubinage, the great bane of th social life of this colony, would only be festered re providing Chimeso girls with an English of Angle-Chinese education: But it seems to m that the duty of the Government to provide th means of education, where private effort is absent should not be considered to apply to the more dasses of society only and leave the immeral or without a higher class of education for fear tha they might become still more immoral. As matter of fact concabinage has all along flourished n Hongkoug and will no doubt continue to flow

rish, whether Chinese girls received a English o Chinese education or no education at ali. If the education to be given to the girls here referred likely to encourage any immoral mode of life bu rather the contrary. It is vain to expect th Basel Mission is also included in the general to the daughters of all classes, whether Chinese on condition of the payment of a small monthly fee, an elementary English education in the ing to be added optionally (without extra fac).

WIDOW IMMOLATION IN CHINA.

The Shen-pao has the following on this tor frequent oustom in China:-

enston which englit to be abolished. If a woman's husband die, his relations insist upon her committing spicide, by hunging, so as to follow him into another world, Three days before the it would then be possible to have, it would not education exclusively in the local variation of the appointed date for this enforced settire, a feest is be practicable, having due regard to safety from | Portuguese language, learning acither English | given, at which all the man's relations use every fire, to dispense with the steam fire engines al. nor Chinese. Again there were 8. nglo-Schools | argument and exhortation to make her comply together; it might perhaps be possible to reduce at work, giving to 1,158 Chinese scholars a Euro- with the custom. Should she consent, as she is pean education in the English language (with invariably compelled to do, she is placed in a sedan-12.—It is a great advantage to have more or without Chinese teaching being given in ad. chair, and carried in a pompous procession to the than one means of fire extinction, as a fire might diftion). Finally, there were 7 English Schools sound of gongs and other musical instrainants occur just at the time when the main is nader at work giving to 793 scholars of both sexes and through all the principal streets, to a platform repair, and in Hongkong this is quite practi- of all nationalities a purely English education, previously propored, several chang, or tone of feet, in height, up which she is carried and blaced 8.—It will be observed from the figures given | seated on a clair. The relations and friends in the foregoing paragraph that three-fifths of down below now ketow and salute the victim. geography, and in many also arithmetic, is super- and strangles her. This done, she is buried.

exerted himself to stop this cruel practice?